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CHARACTERS

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E-rank Hunter

Chiyul Song



C-rank Hunter / Leader

Joohee Lee



B-rank Hunter / Healer

Sangshik Kim



D-rank Hunter



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MY NAME IS
JINWOO SLING.

HFF...



HUFF...



E-RANK
HUNTER.

THE LOWEST
LEVEL IN THE HUNTER'S
ASSOCIATION. THE
WEAKEST OF THEM ALL.

HUFF!

HUFF!

THUD
THUD



THUD

THUD

THUD

FOR SOMEONE
LIKE ME TO BE IN
A SITUATION LIKE
THIS—

I NEVER
EVEN DREAMED
POSSIBLE.

HUFF...

HAAA...

CHAK

SWISH

DAMN IT...



SHUNK

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SEOUL, KOREA



JINWOO SLING,
E-RANK HUNTER.



I'M JUST A BIT
STRONGER AND
RECOVER SLIGHTLY
FASTER THAN AN
AVERAGE PERSON—
IT'S EMBARRASSING
TO CALL MYSELF
A HUNTER.



NOT ONLY DO I GET HURT
ALL THE TIME, NEAR-
DEATH EXPERIENCES ARE
NOTHING NEW TO ME.

*I REALLY DON'T ENJOY BEING
A HUNTER. IT'S DANGEROUS
WORK, AND I HAVE TO RISK MY
LIFE WITH EVERY JOB I TAKE.*



*I ONLY STICK WITH IT BECAUSE
THE HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION
HELPS COVER MY SICK MOTHER'S
HOSPITAL BILLS.*

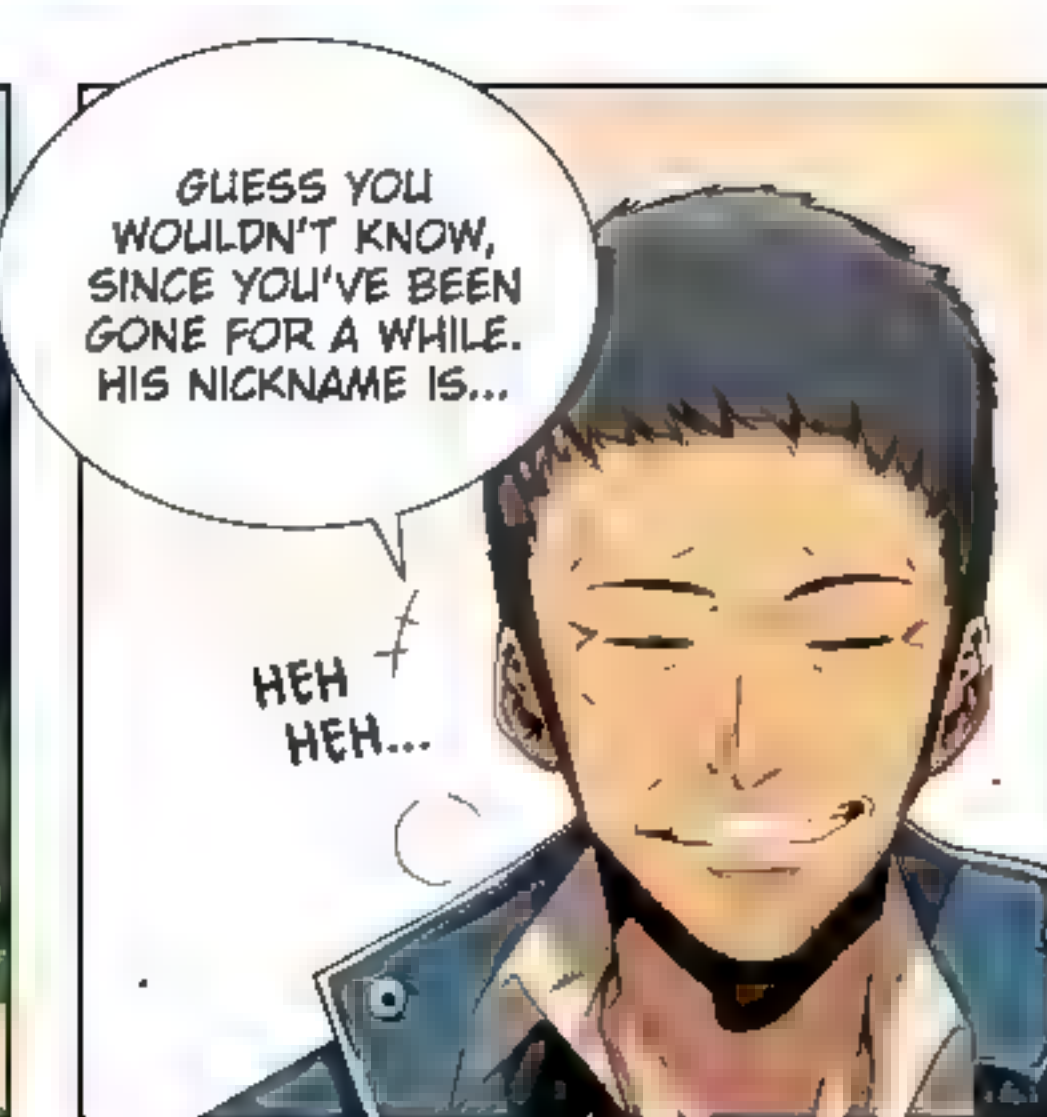
*A CONSTRUCTION
SITE IN SEOUL*

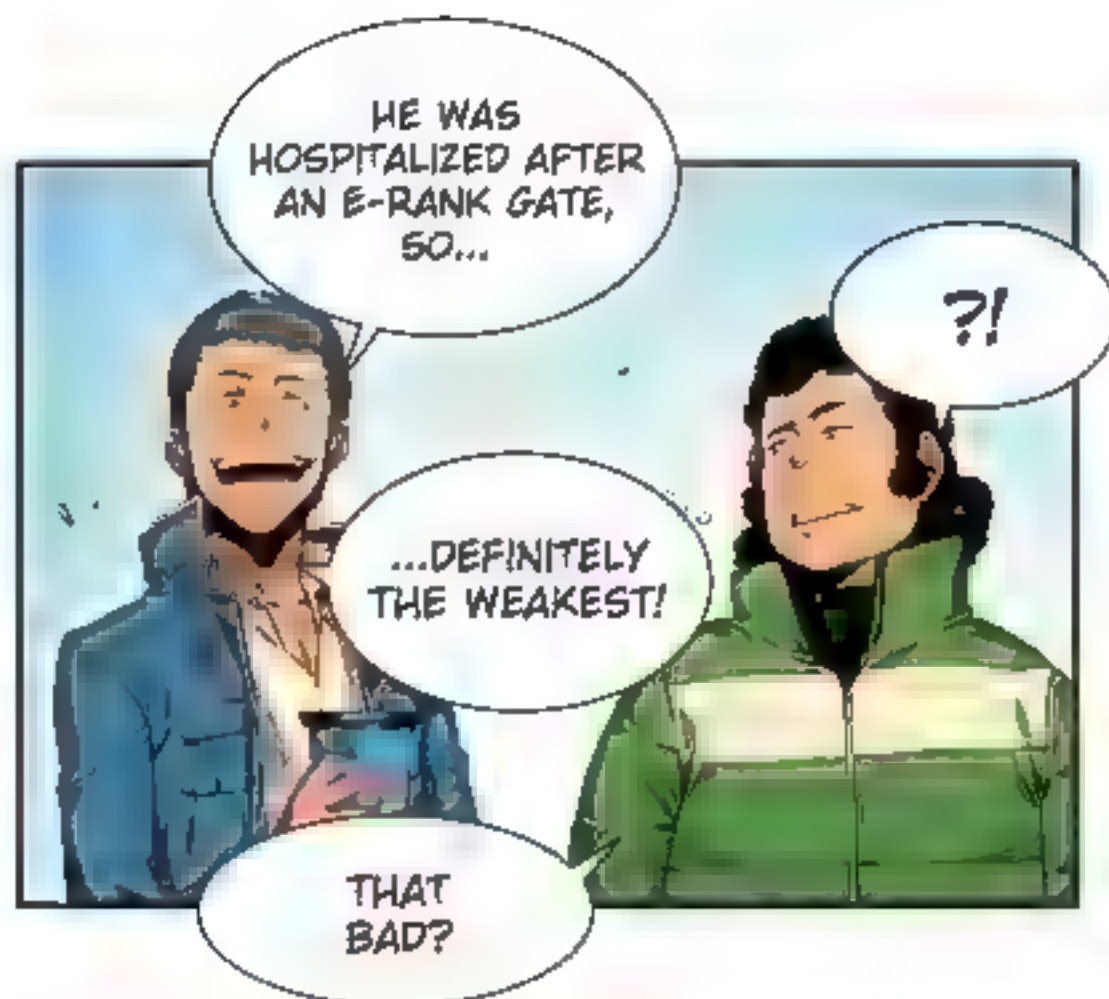


AS A HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE WITH
NO SPECIAL SKILLS OR TRAINING,
IT WAS THE ONLY OPTION LEFT TO ME.













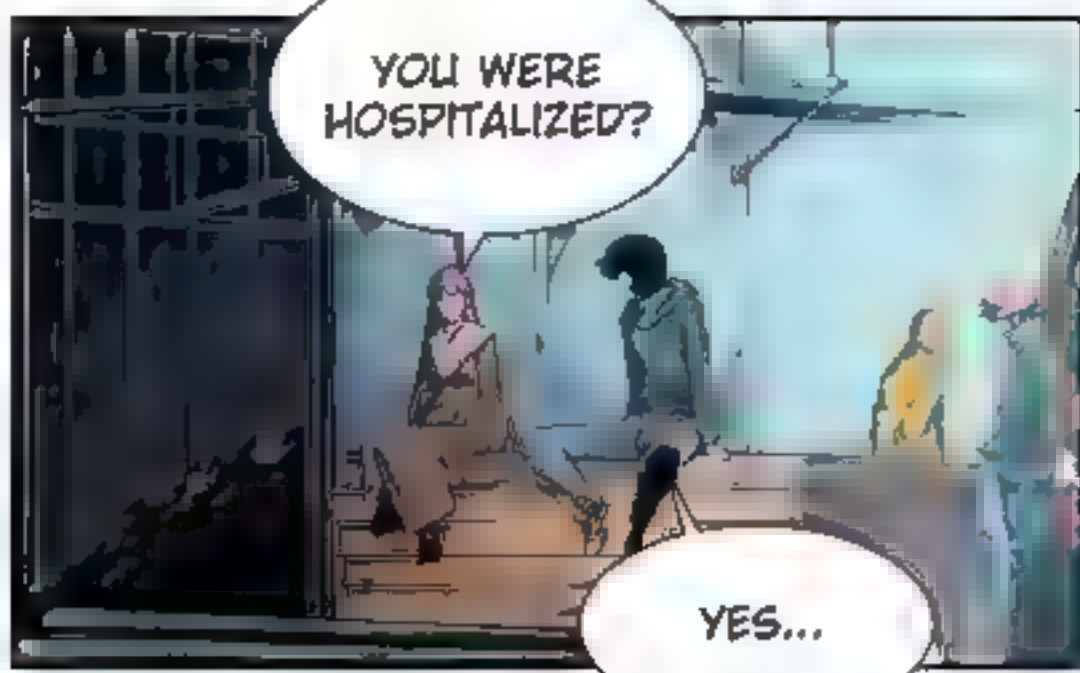
OH, JOOHEE.
YOU'RE JOINING THIS
RAID TOO?

OF COURSE!
BUT NEVER MIND ME.
WHAT HAPPENED TO
YOUR FACE?!



Y'KNOW, STUFF...
HA-HA...

SERIOUSLY...



YOU WERE
HOSPITALIZED?

YES...



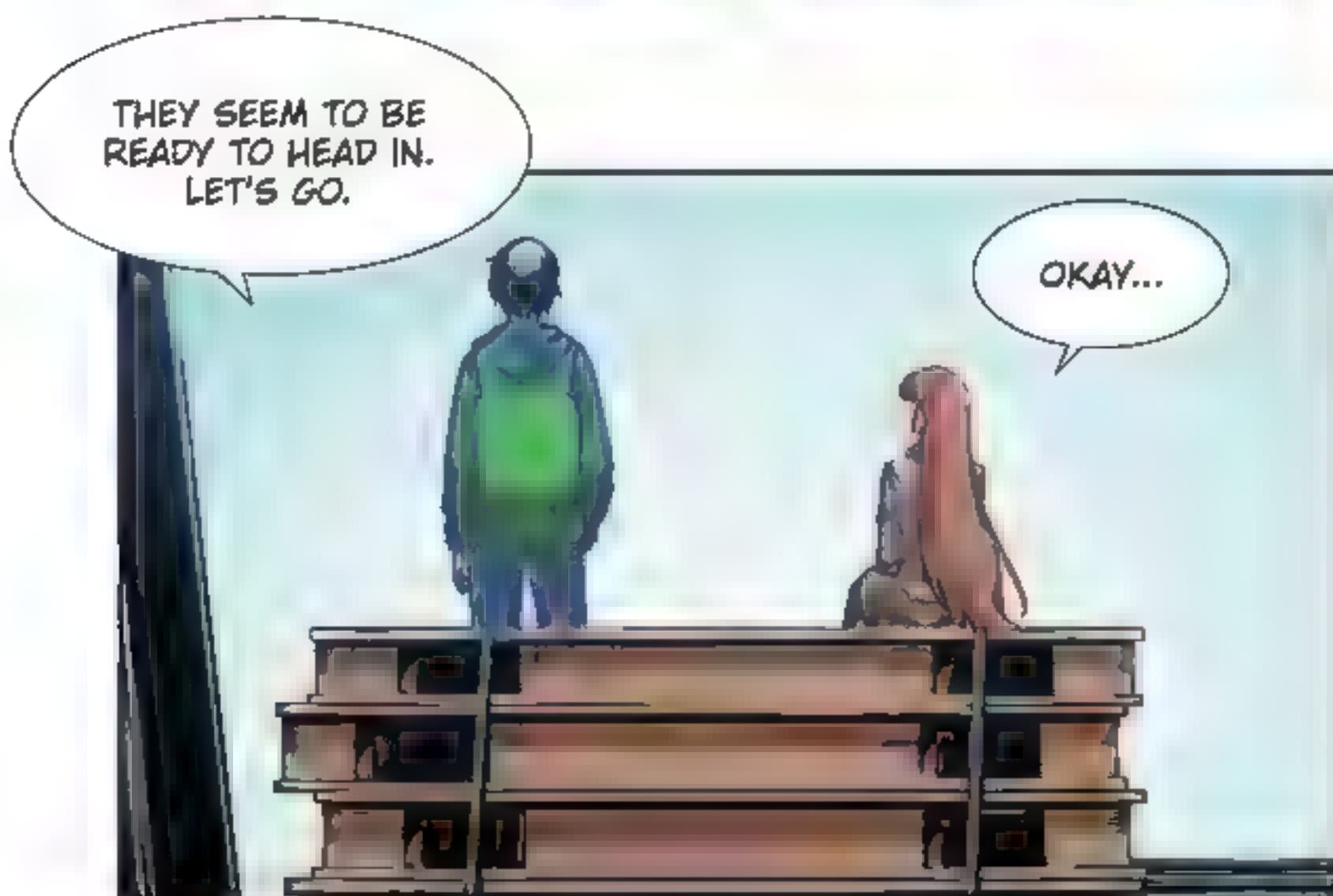
IT WAS AN
E-RANK DUNGEON,
AND I WAS THE
ONLY ONE WHO WAS
INJURED.



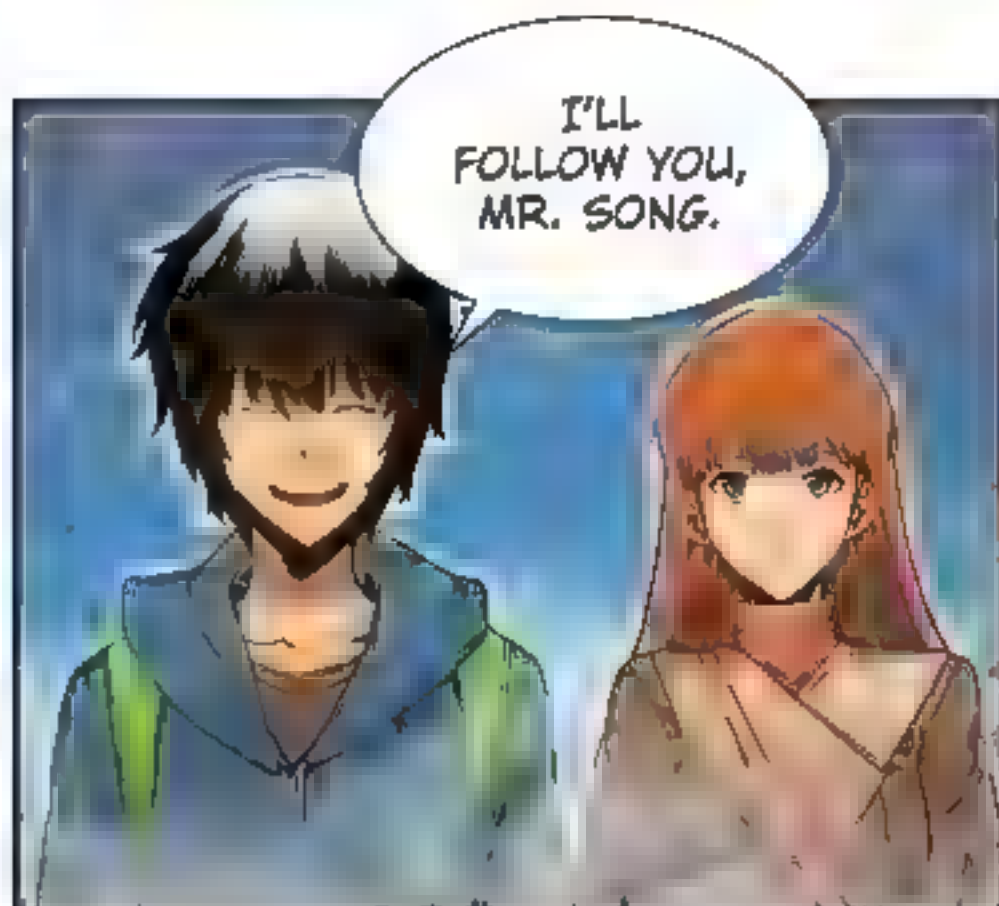
WHAT WENT
WRONG...?



THE OTHER
HUNTERS WERE HIGH
RANK, SO THEY DIDN'T
BRING A HEALER.

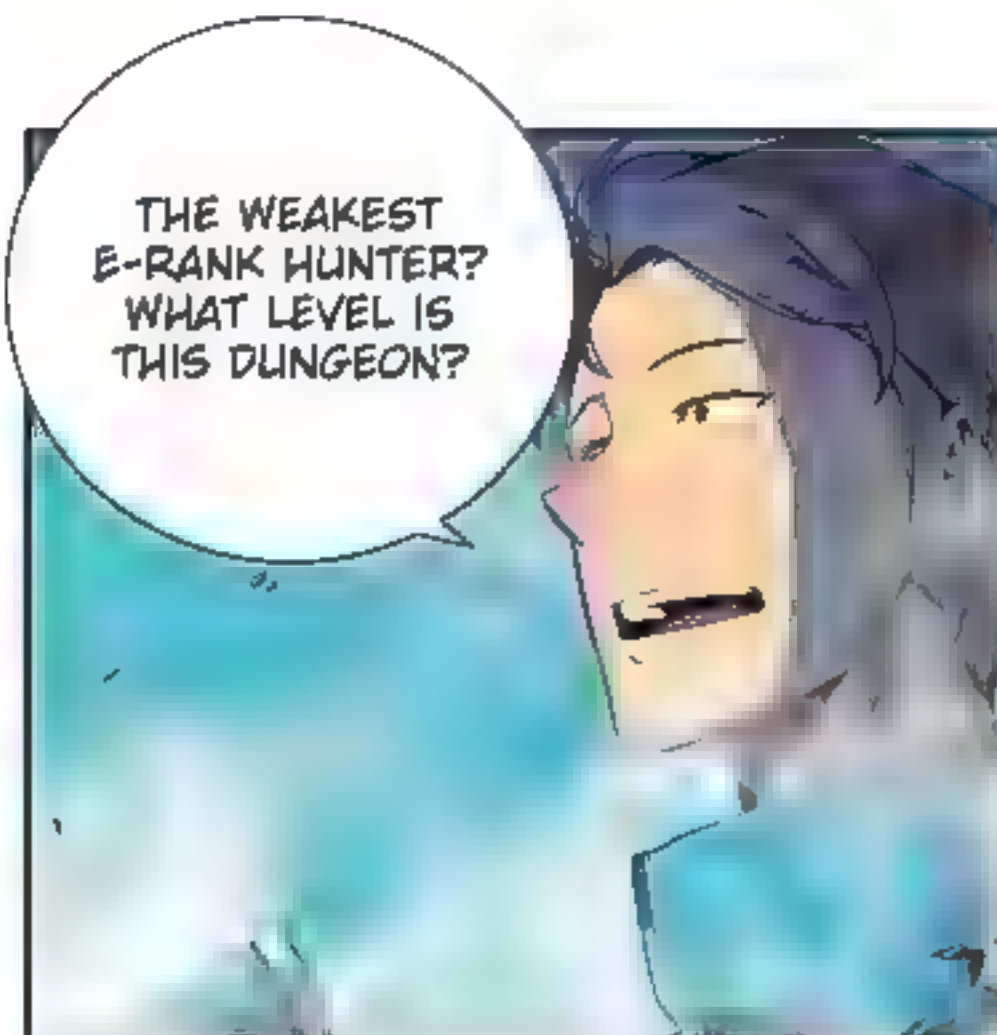










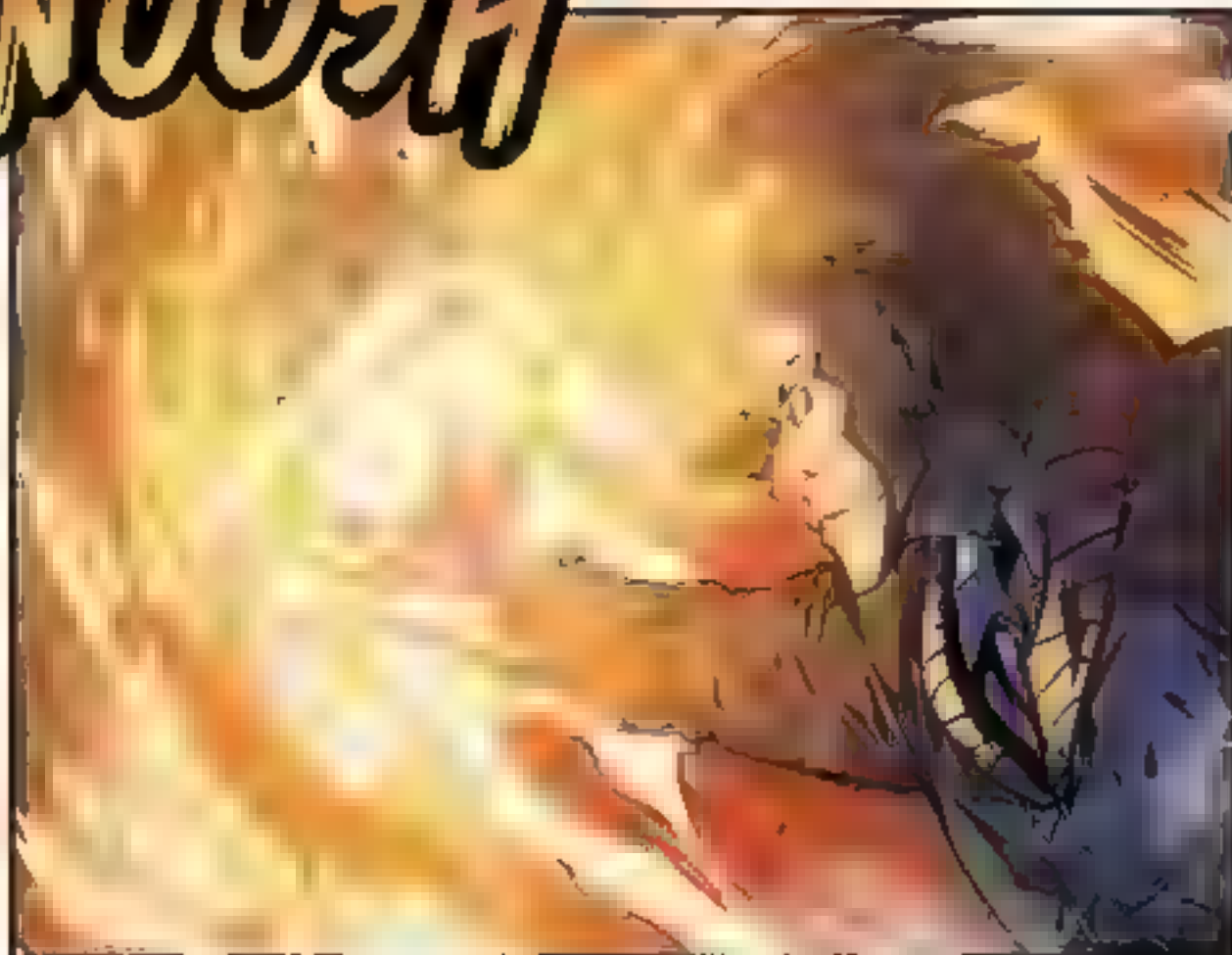


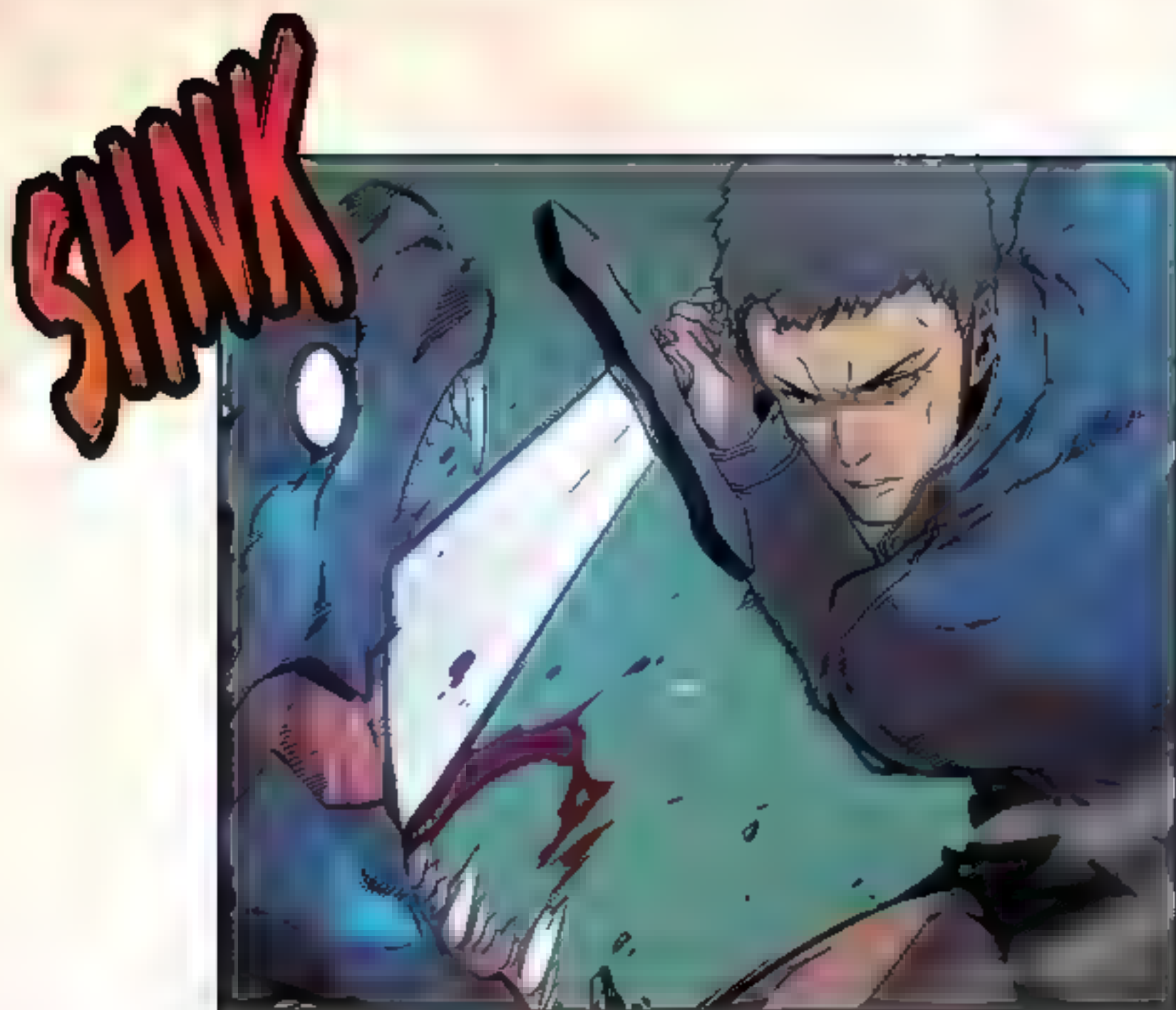
I THINK IT'S
D-RANK.

SINCE I STARTED
WORKING HERE, I'VE
NEVER SEEN HIM COME
OUT UNINJURED.

IT'S A D-RANK
DUNGEON, SO...HE
SHOULD BE FINE,
RIGHT?

FWOOSH







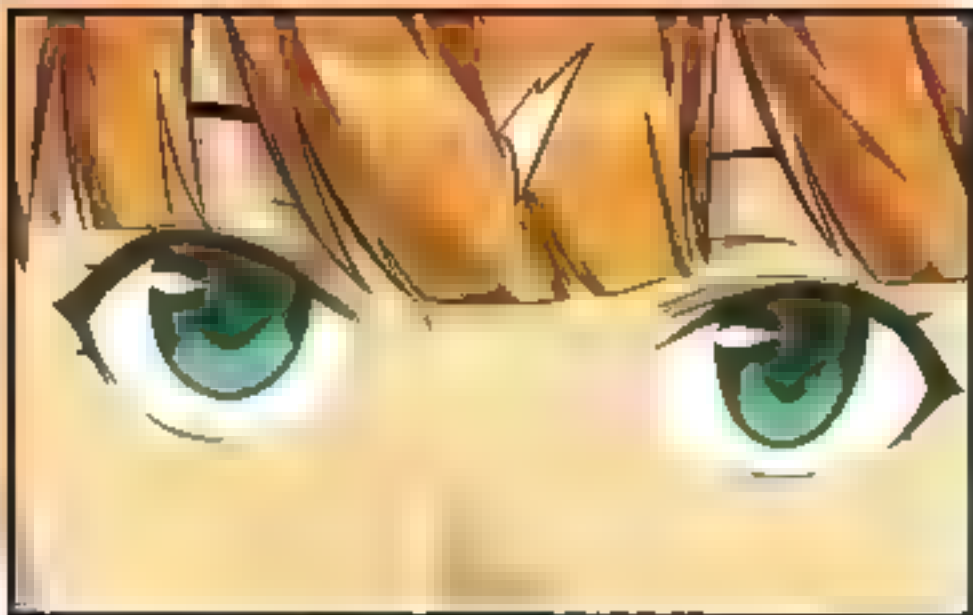
WHY DO YOU
CONTINUE WORKING
AS A HUNTER?

IF YOU KEEP
GOING LIKE THIS,
YOU'LL WIND UP
IN REAL DANGER
ONE DAY!

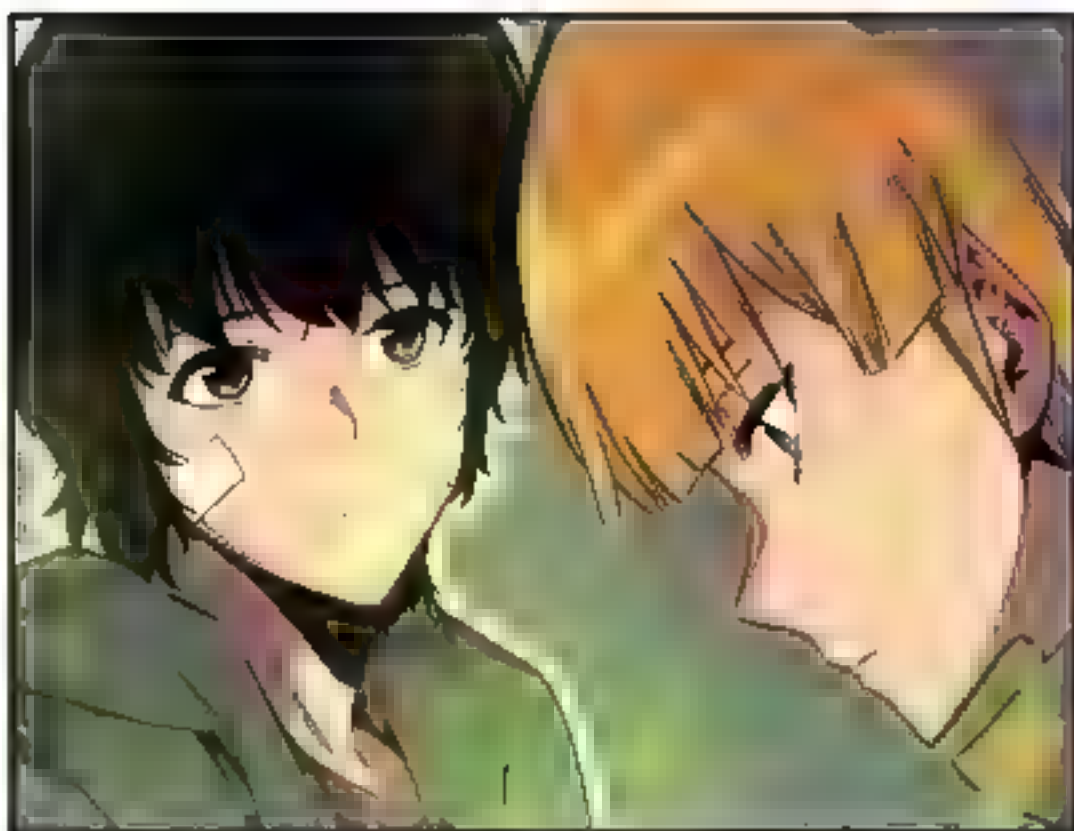
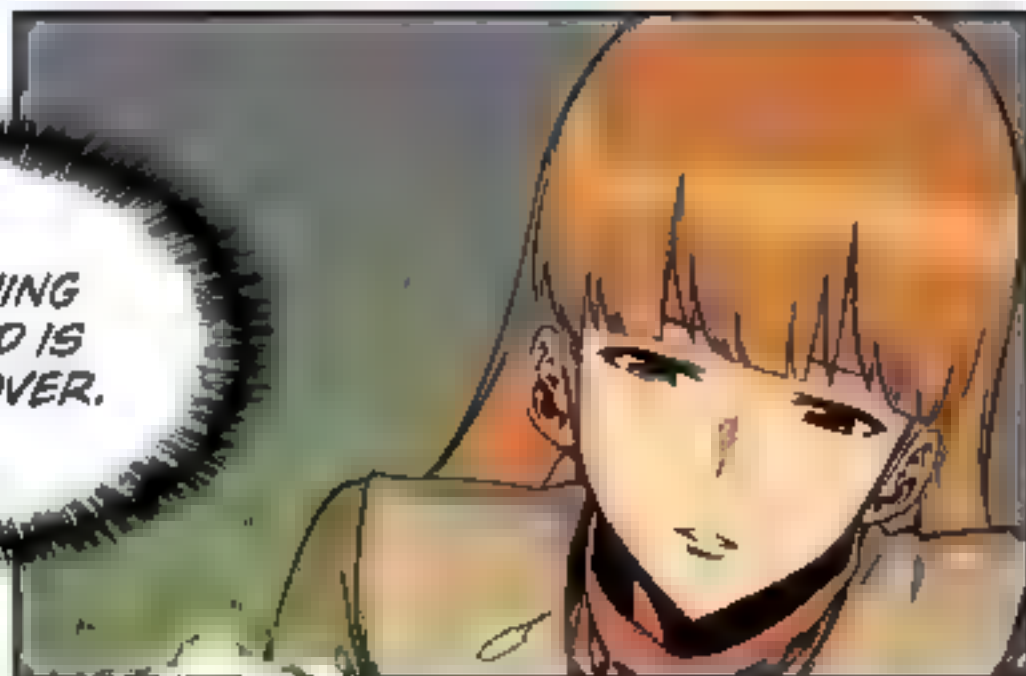


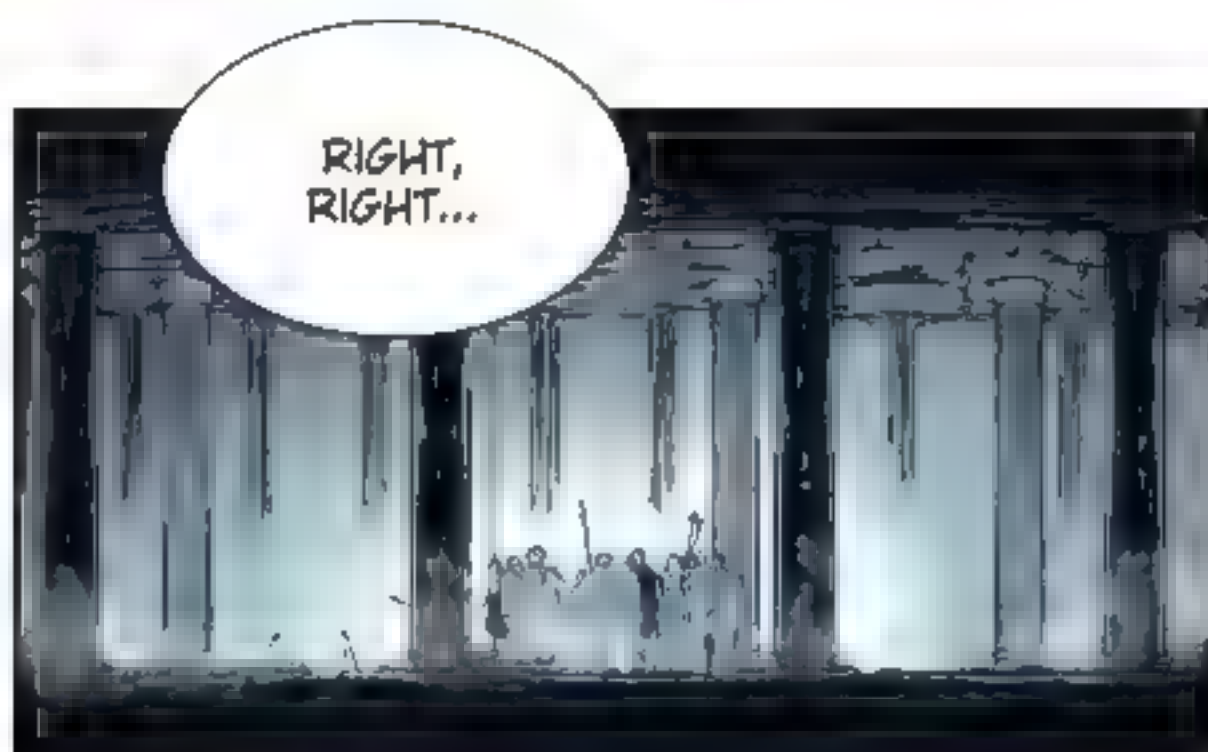
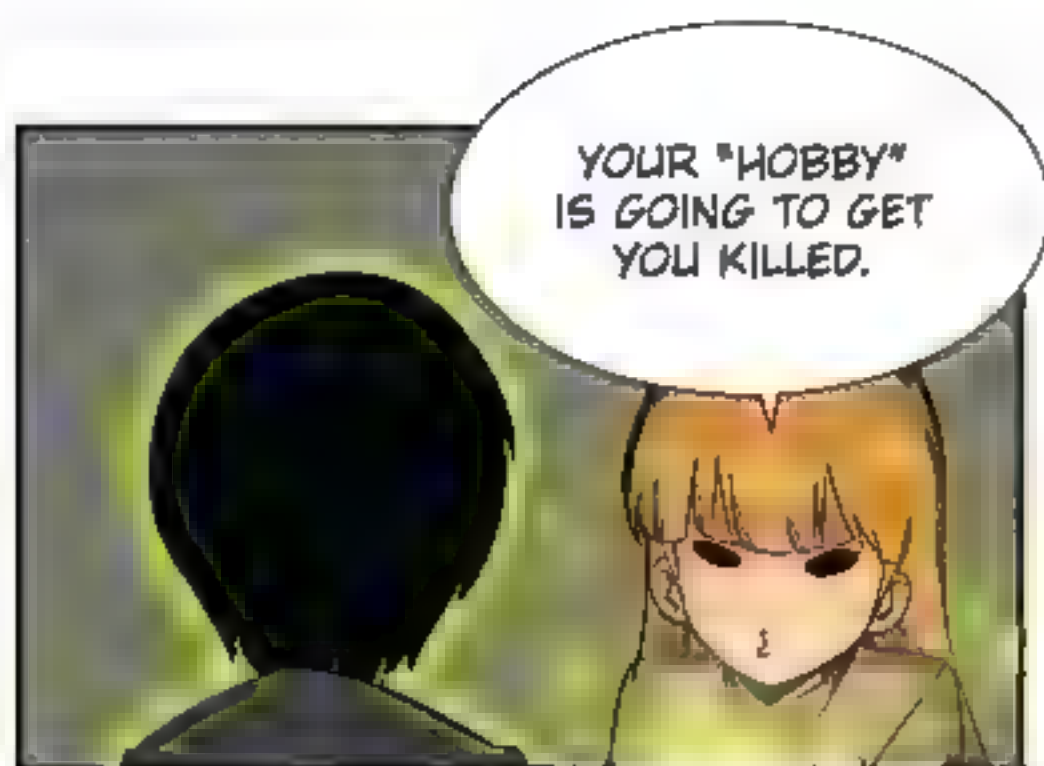
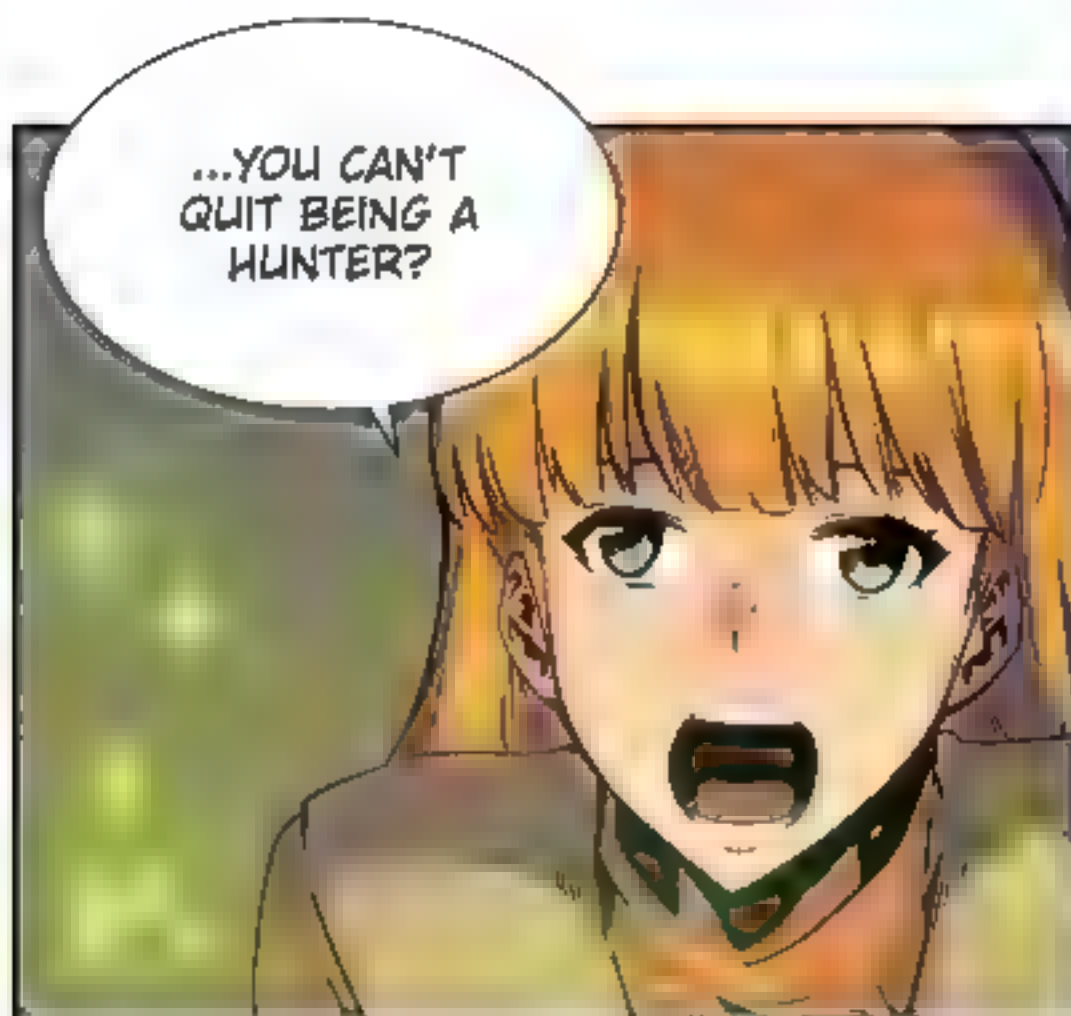
I'M SORRY...

I'M NOT ASKING
FOR AN APOLOGY.
I'M JUST WORRIED
ABOUT YOU.



GOOD THING
THIS RAID IS
ALMOST OVER.







WE
GOT THE ESSENCE
STONES TOO.

AN ESSENCE STONE FROM A
C-RANK MAGIC BEAST COULD BE
WORTH OVER TEN MILLION WON.

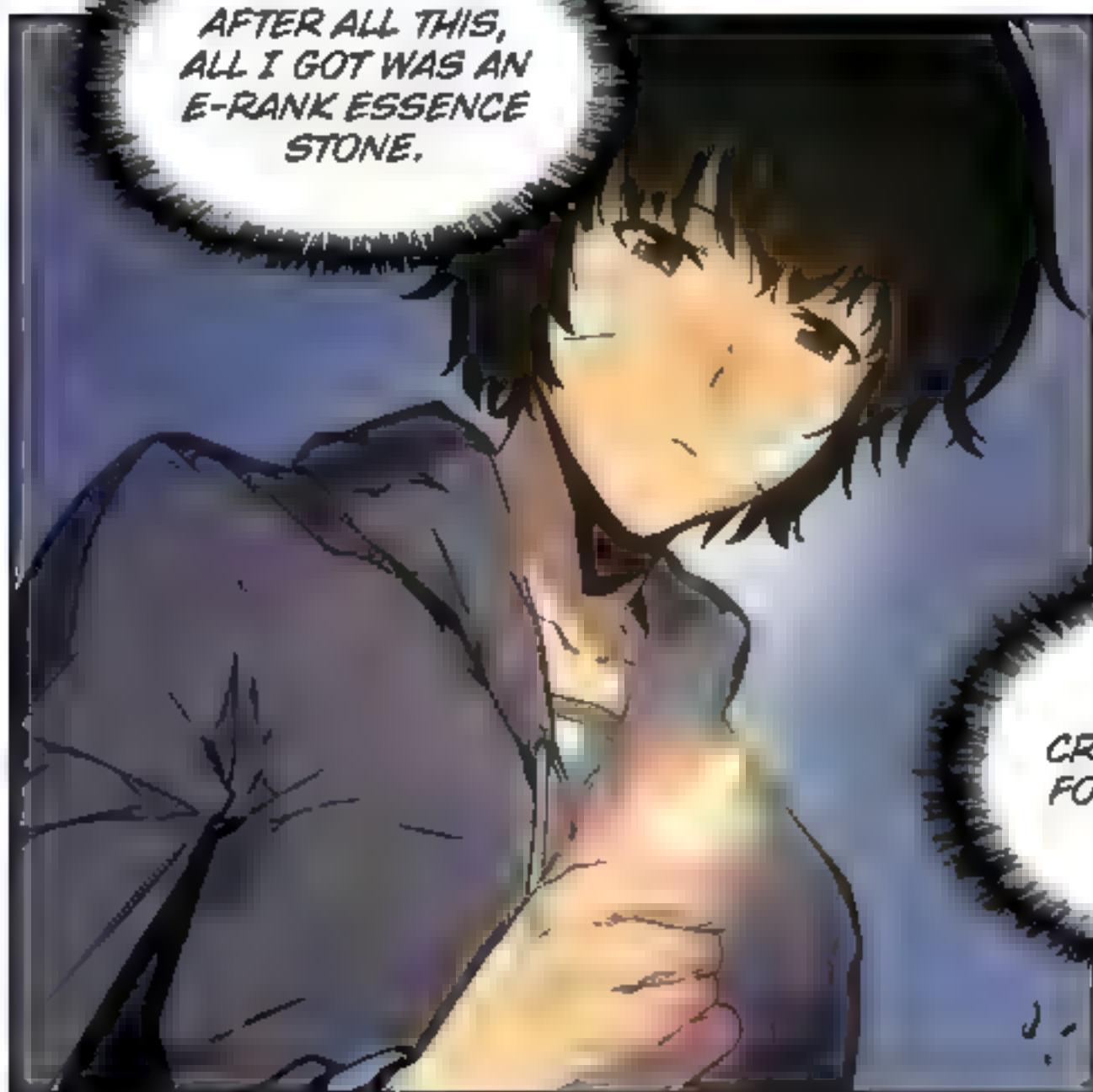


BUT AN E-RANK HUNTER
LIKE ME WAS NO MATCH
FOR A C-RANK MAGIC
BEAST.

While exchange rates fluctuate daily, an easy
conversion estimate is about 1,000 KRW to 1 USD.



AFTER ALL THIS,
ALL I GOT WAS AN
E-RANK ESSENCE
STONE.



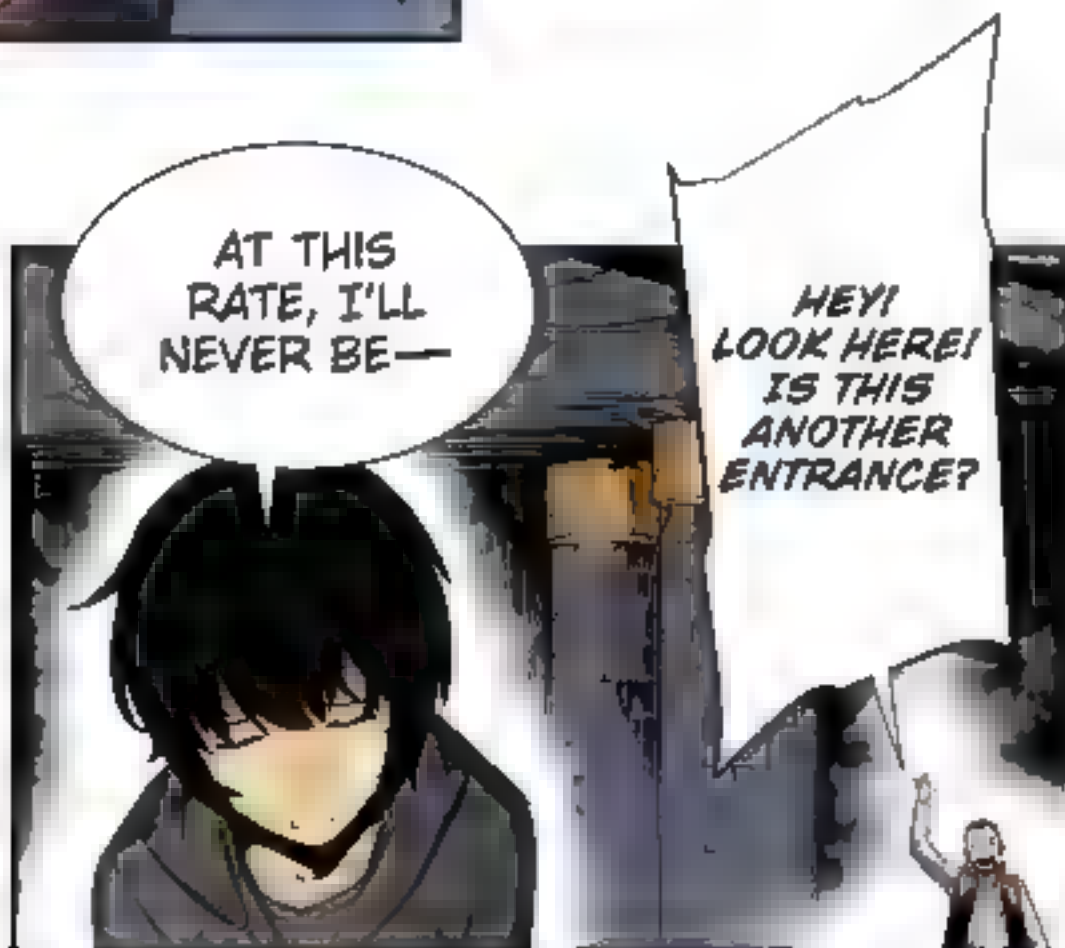
WHAT A
CRAPPY REWARD
FOR RISKING MY
LIFE.

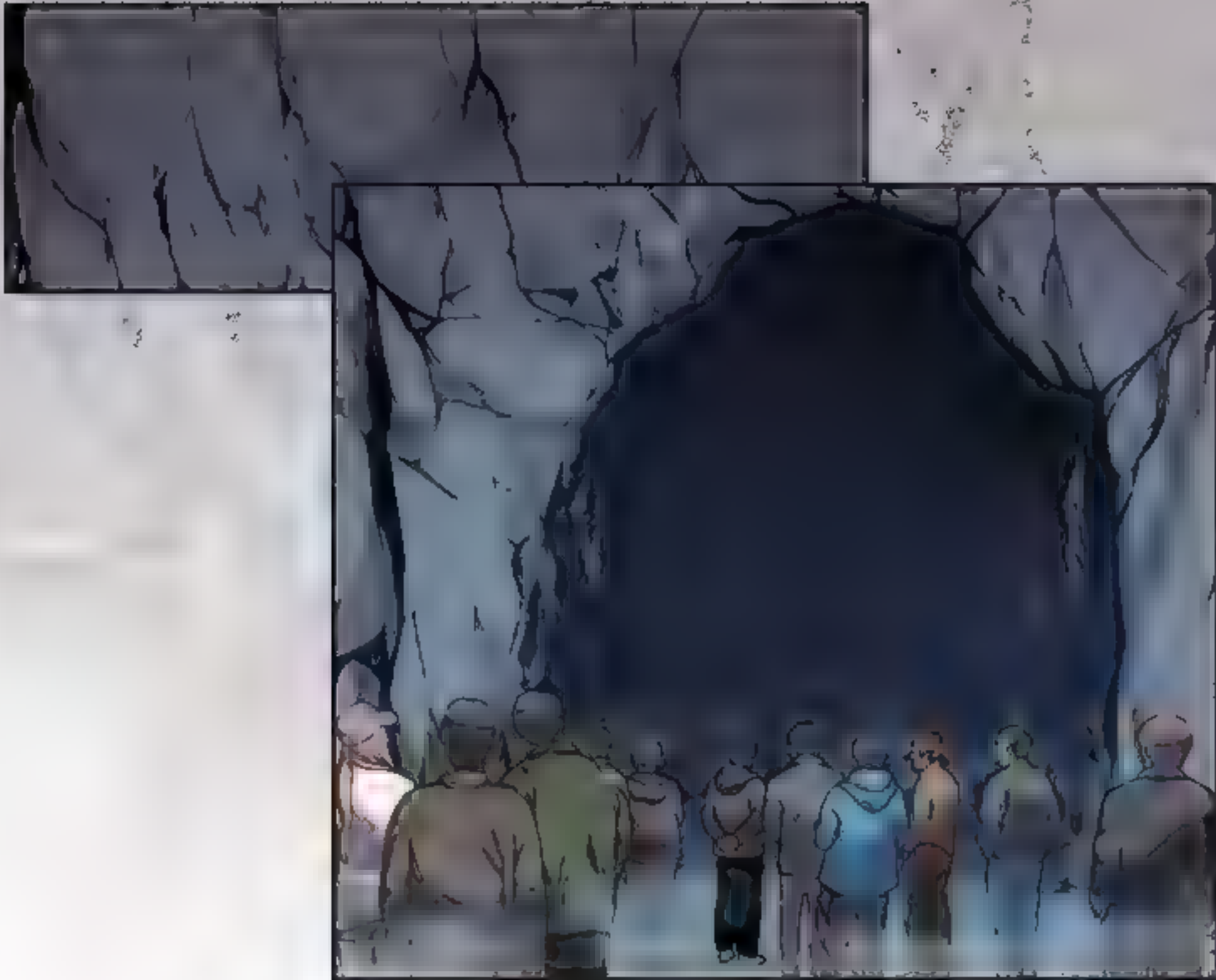


AT THIS
RATE, I'LL
NEVER BE—

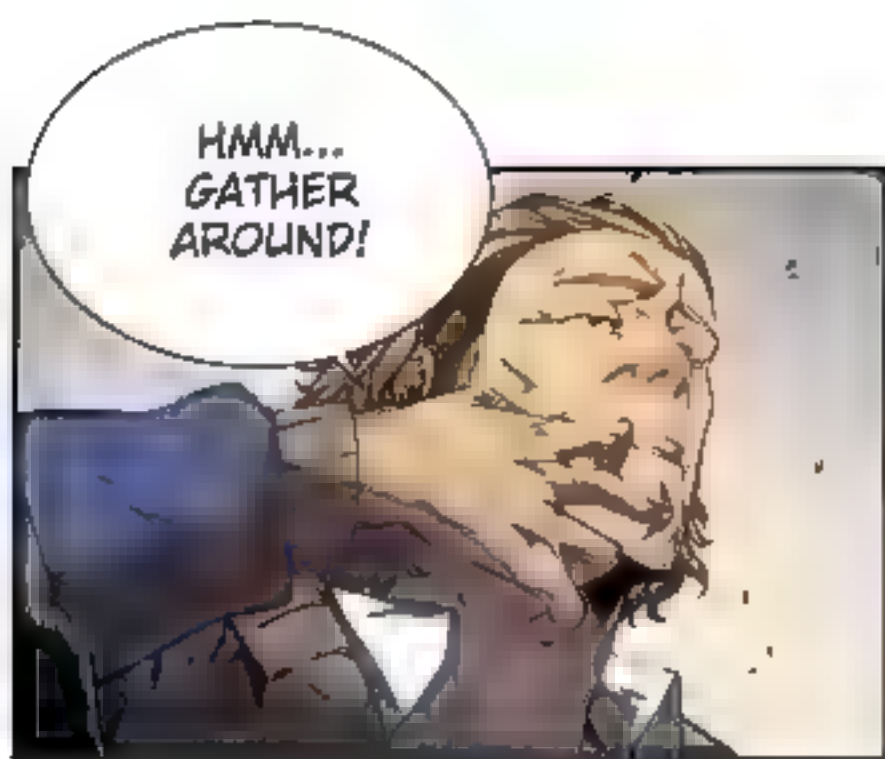
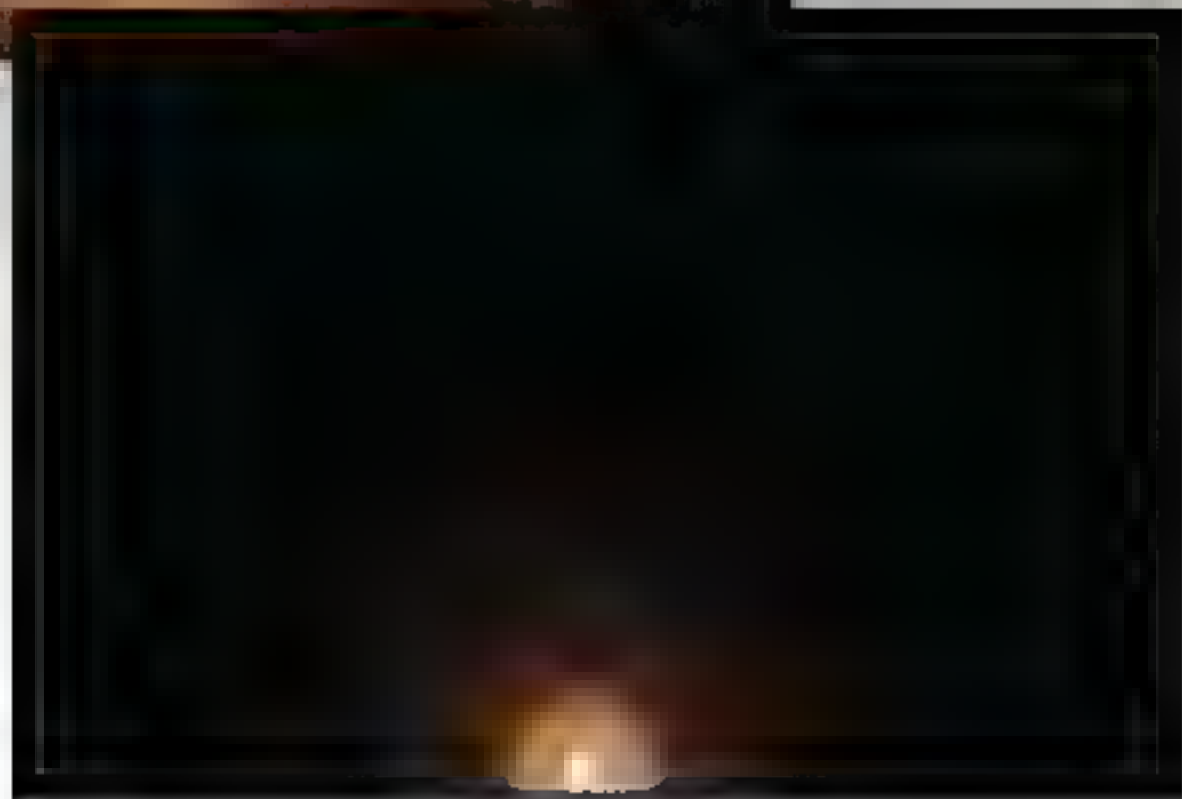


HEY!
LOOK HERE!
IS THIS
ANOTHER
ENTRANCE?

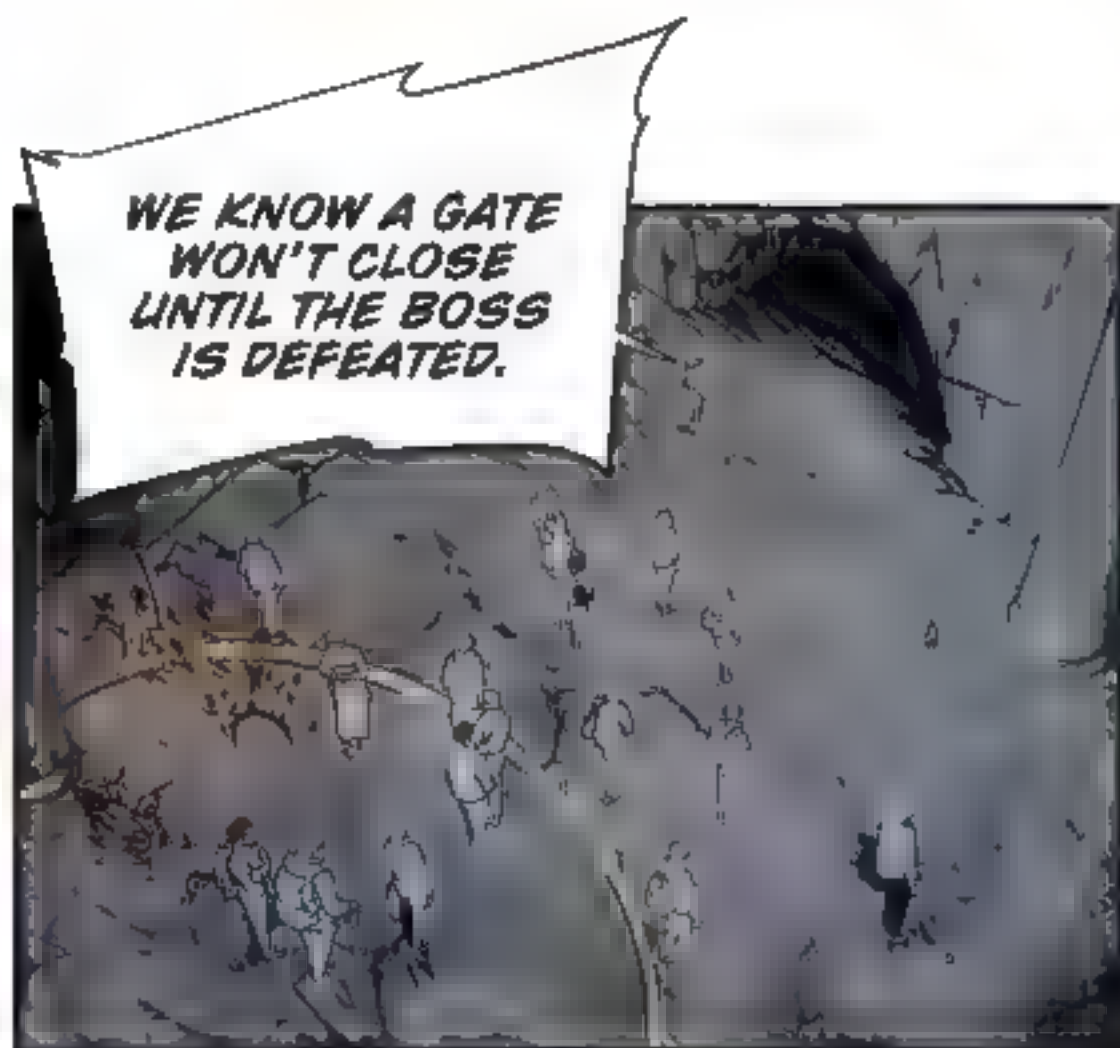








HMM...
GATHER
AROUND!



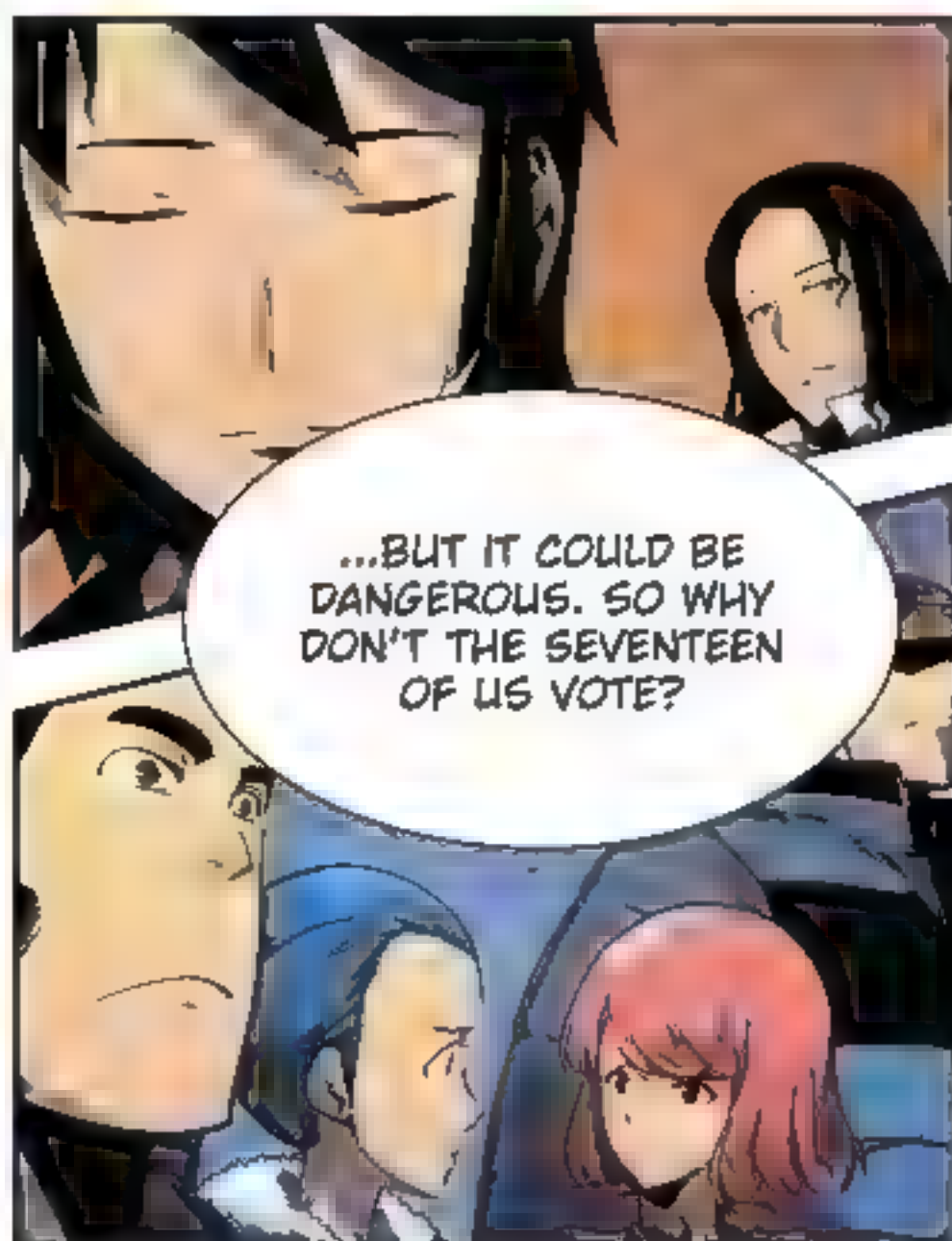
WE KNOW A GATE
WON'T CLOSE
UNTIL THE BOSS
IS DEFEATED.

THE GATE IS
STILL OPEN. MY
GUESS IS, THE BOSS
IS IN THERE.

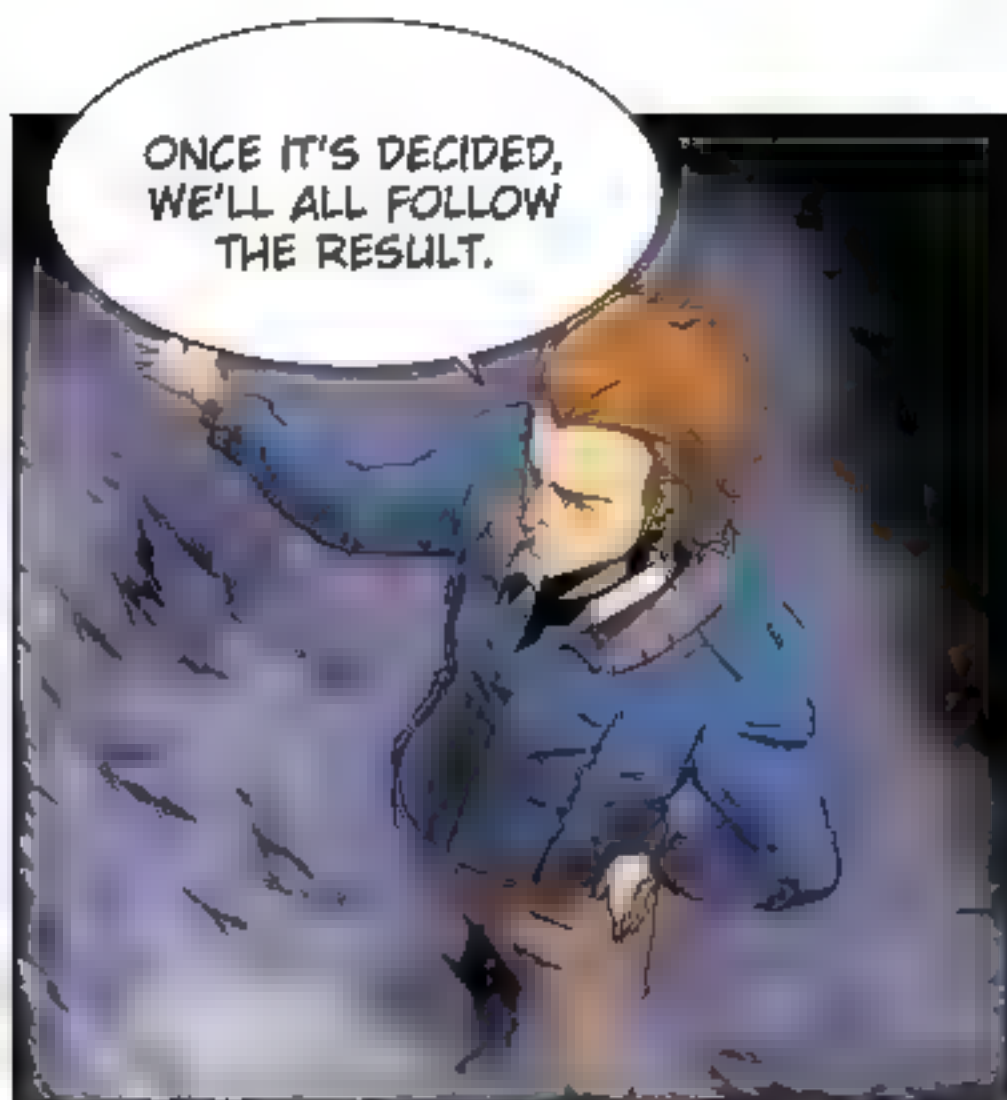
NORMALLY,
WE'D REPORT TO
THE ASSOCIATION AND
WAIT FOR THEIR
CALL, BUT...

...WE'D MAKE A LOT
LESS MONEY IF OTHER
HUNTERS CAME AND
KILLED THE BOSS.

I'D MUCH RATHER
WE DEFEAT THE BOSS
OURSELVES...



...BUT IT COULD BE
DANGEROUS. SO WHY
DON'T THE SEVENTEEN
OF US VOTE?



ONCE IT'S DECIDED,
WE'LL ALL FOLLOW
THE RESULT.



I'M GOING IN.



LET'S NOT
GO IN.



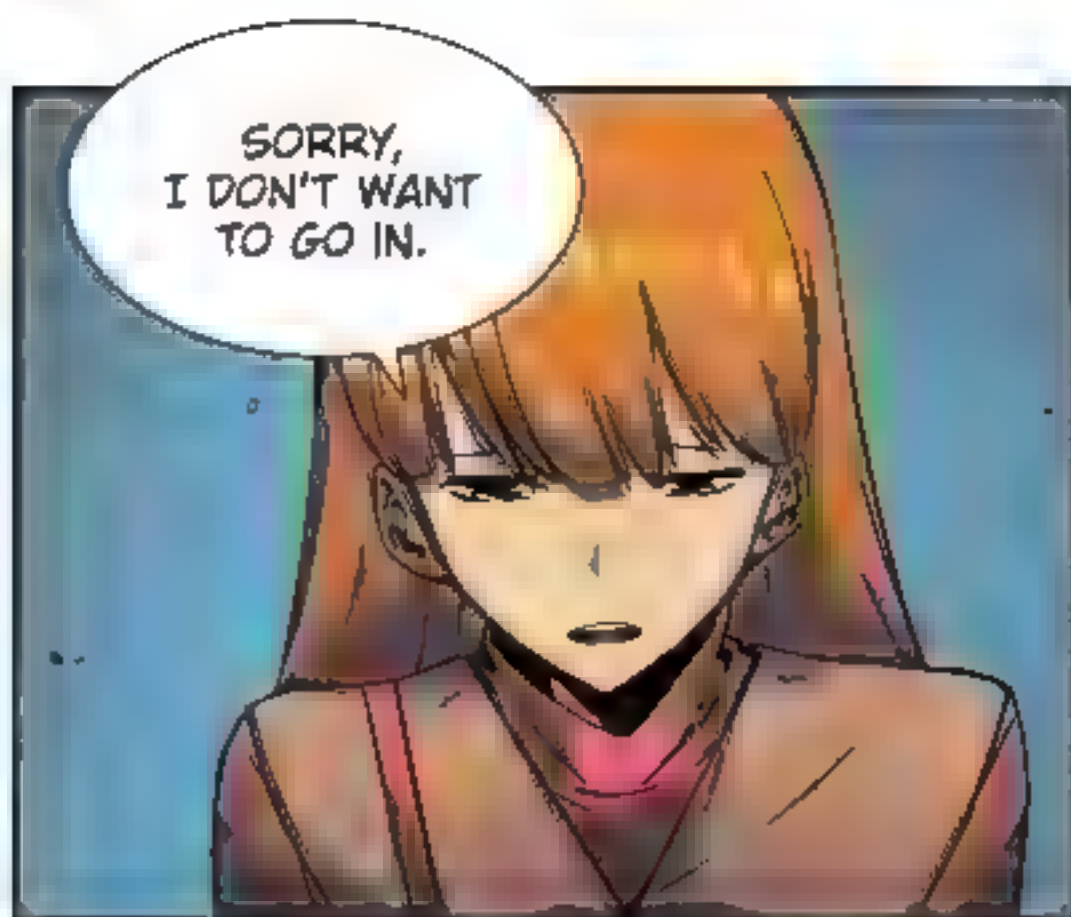
AGAINST!



ONE VOTE
FOR!



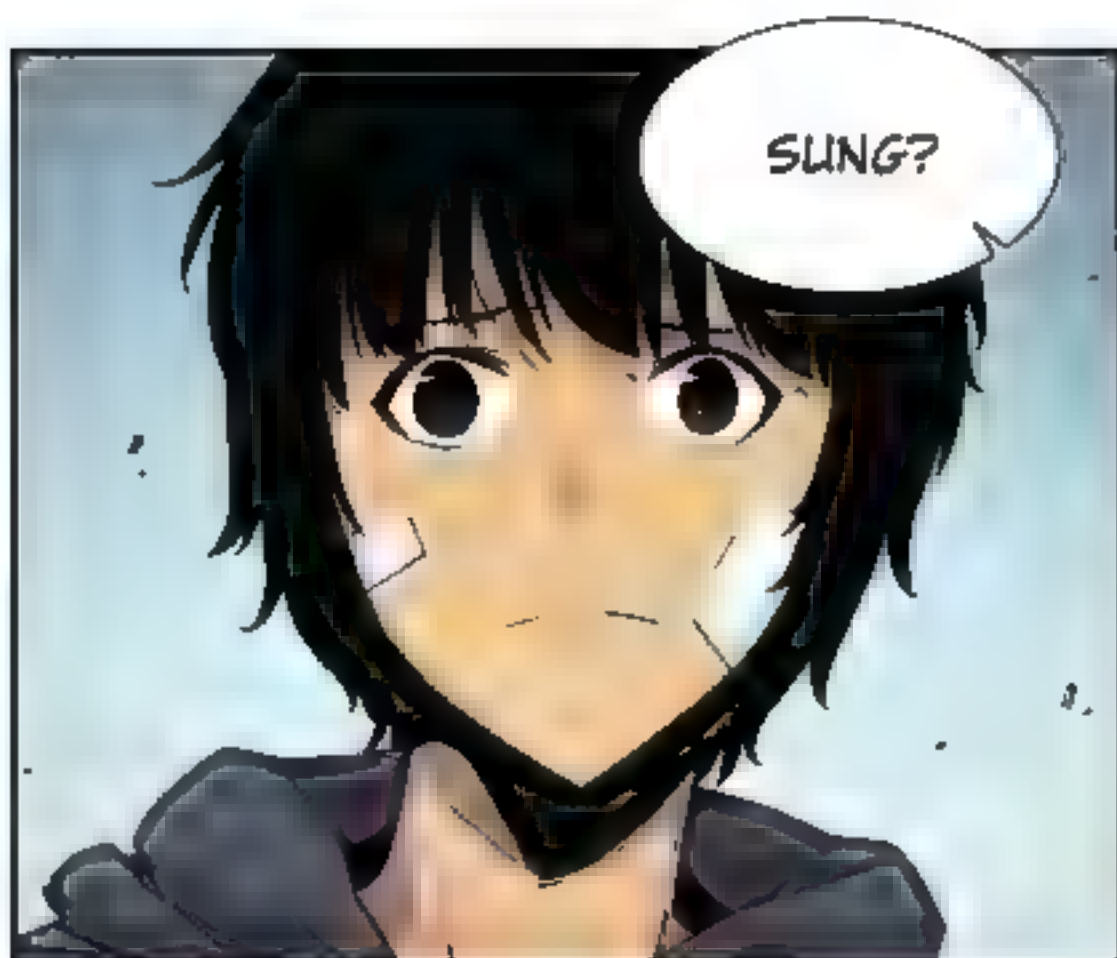
LET'S GO.



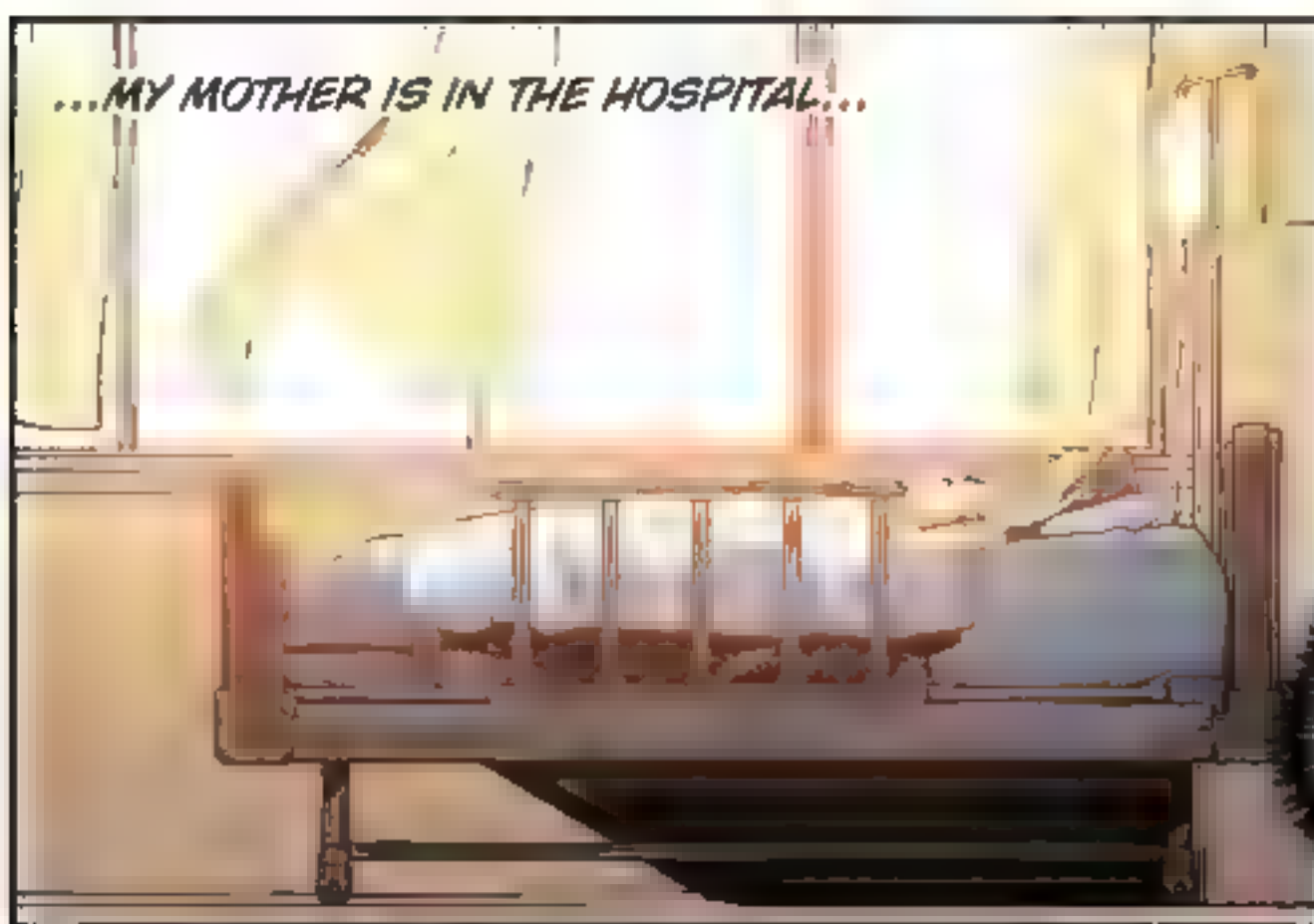
SORRY,
I DON'T WANT
TO GO IN.



EIGHT VOTES
TO EIGHT?



IT ALL COMES DOWN TO ME.





*I'M GOING FOR
IT THIS TIME!*





DON'T YOU
THINK WE'RE
GOING IN TOO
DEEP?

HOW LONG
HAVE WE BEEN
WALKING?

FOR
ABOUT FORTY
MINUTES.

GATES CLOSE AN
HOUR AFTER THE
BOSS IS DEFEATED,
SO WE'RE GOOD
FOR ABOUT TWENTY
MORE MINUTES.

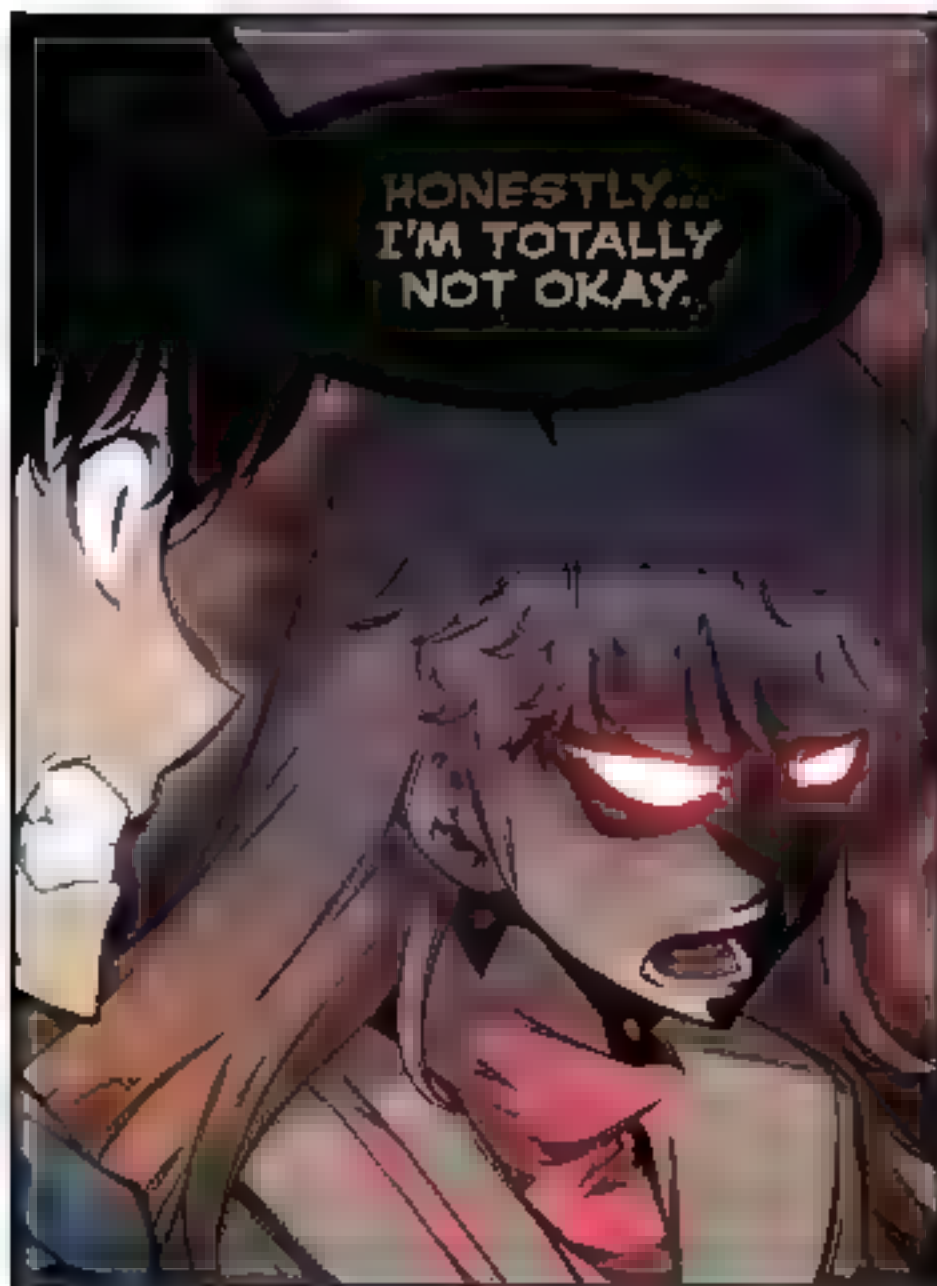
SO...
I'M SORRY.

ABOUT
WHAT?

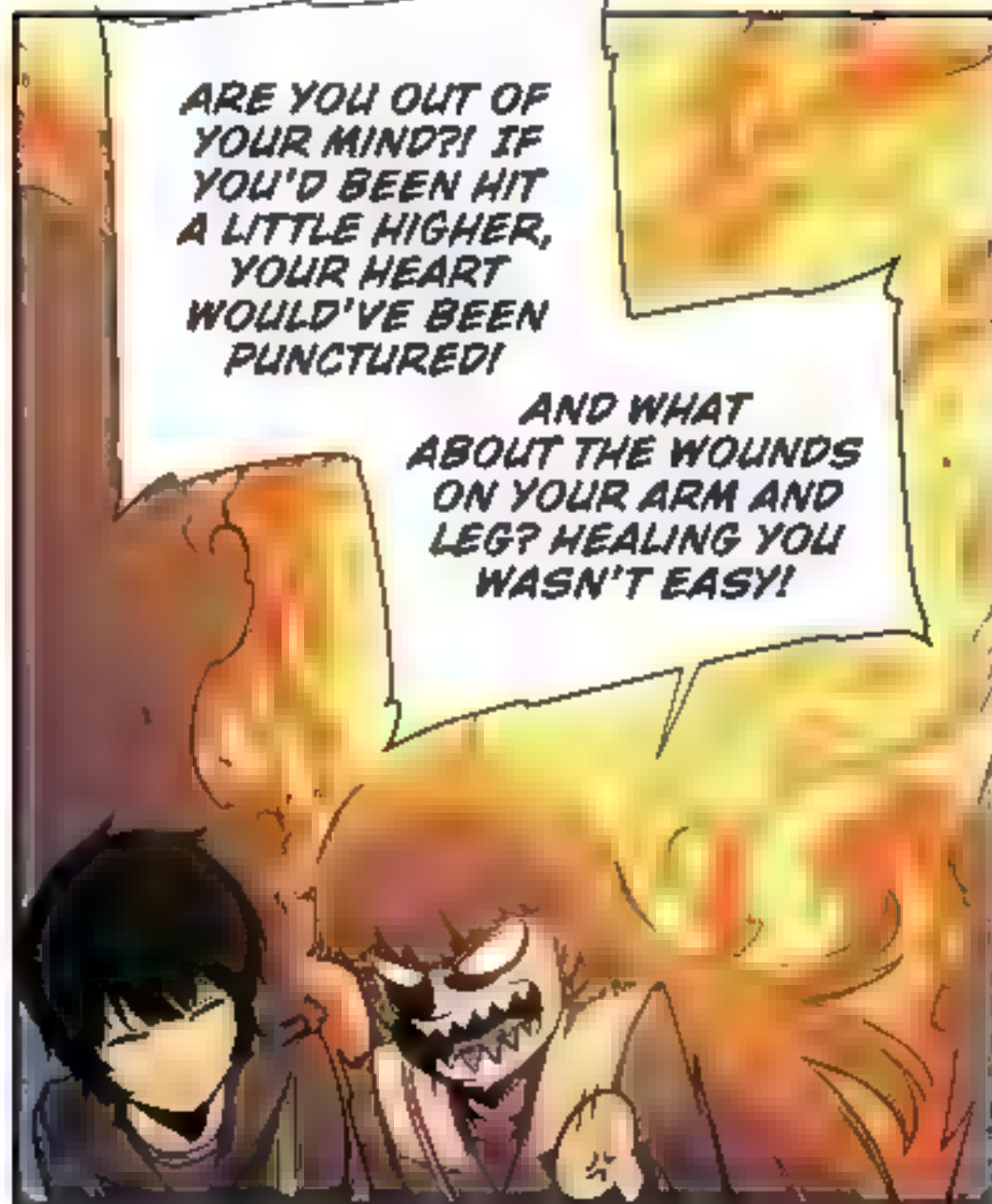
DRAGGING
YOU IN HERE BY
VOTING YES...

I'M OKAY.
NO WORRIES.

ARE YOU...
REALLY OKAY?



HONESTLY...
I'M TOTALLY
NOT OKAY.



ARE YOU OUT OF
YOUR MIND?! IF
YOU'D BEEN HIT
A LITTLE HIGHER,
YOUR HEART
WOULD'VE BEEN
PUNCTURED!

AND WHAT
ABOUT THE WOUNDS
ON YOUR ARM AND
LEG? HEALING YOU
WASN'T EASY!



BUT YOU WANT
TO GO INTO
ANOTHER
DUNGEON? DID
YOU HURT YOUR
HEAD?!

HUH?!

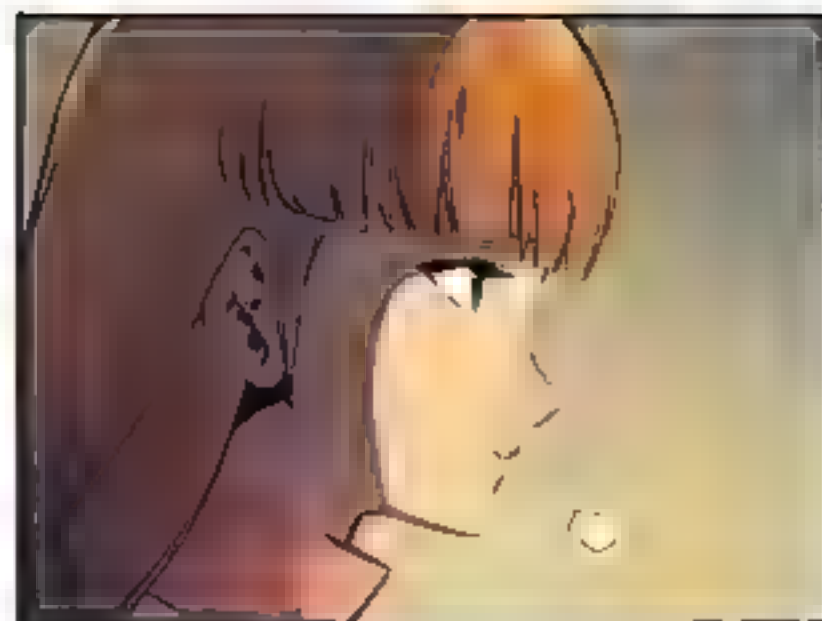
SORRY...

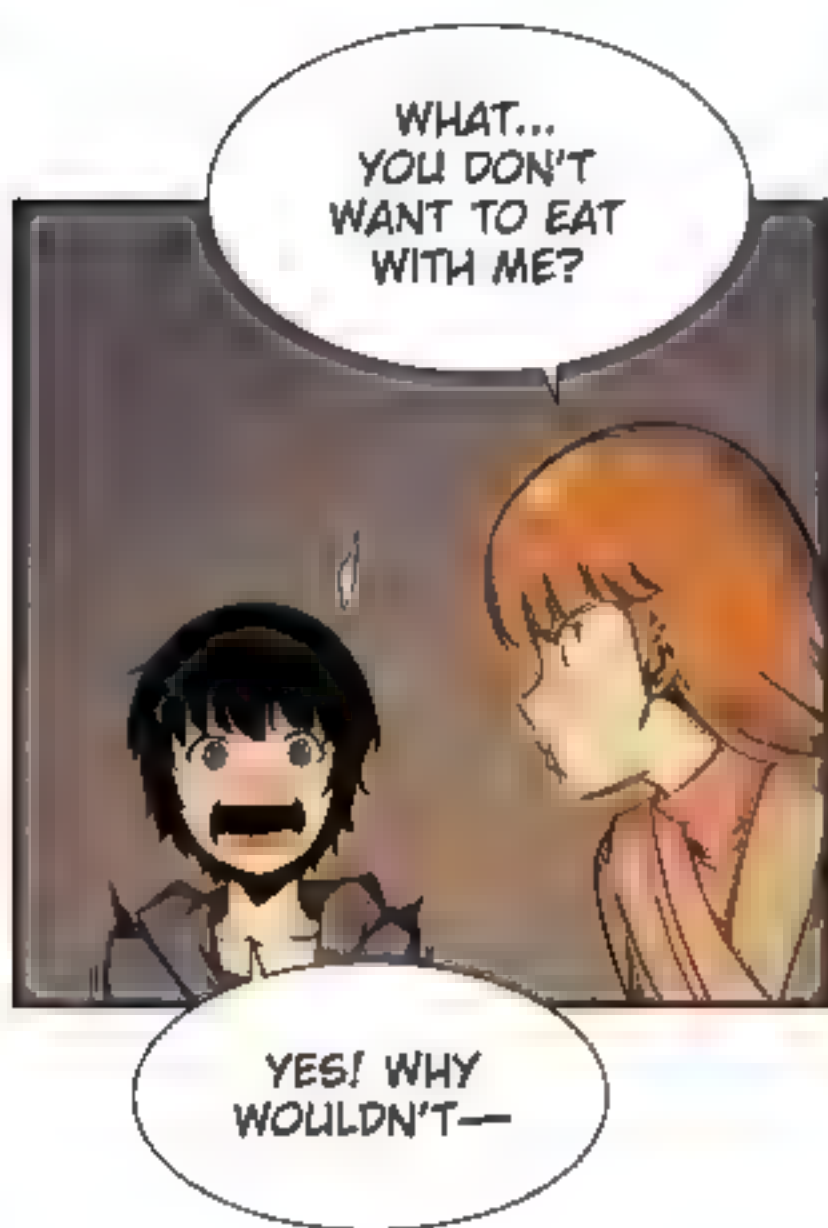
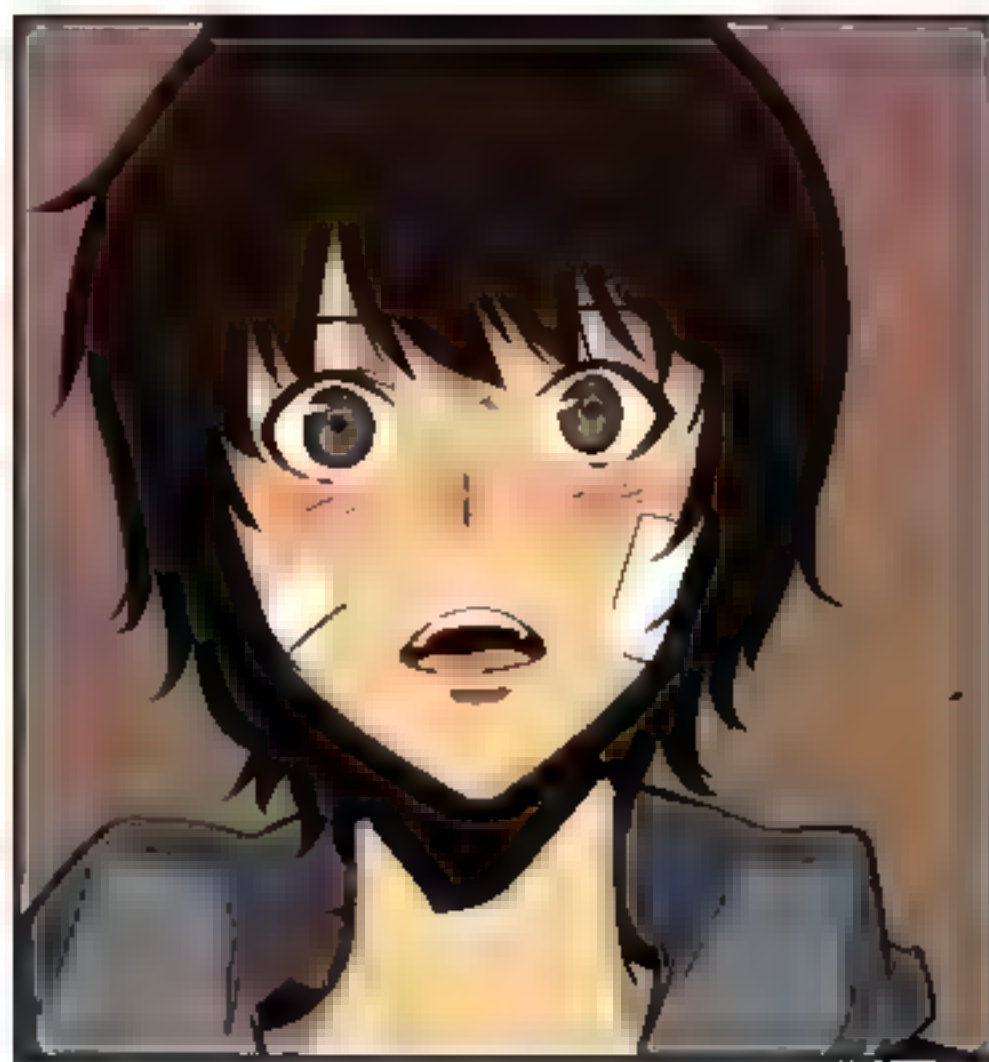
SHE HELPS
ME EVERY TIME. I'D
BE A GONER IF SHE
WASN'T A B-RANK
HEALER.



ARE YOU REALLY
SORRY?!

YES...

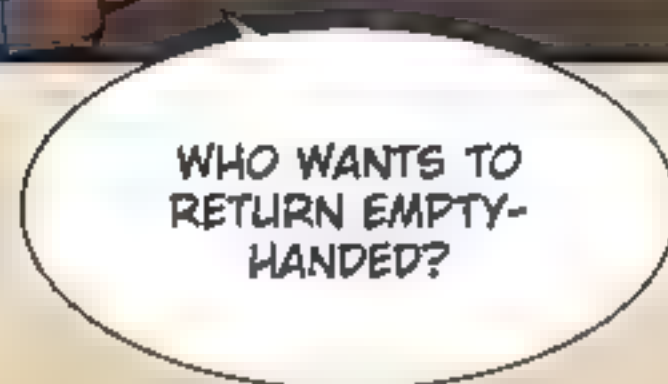


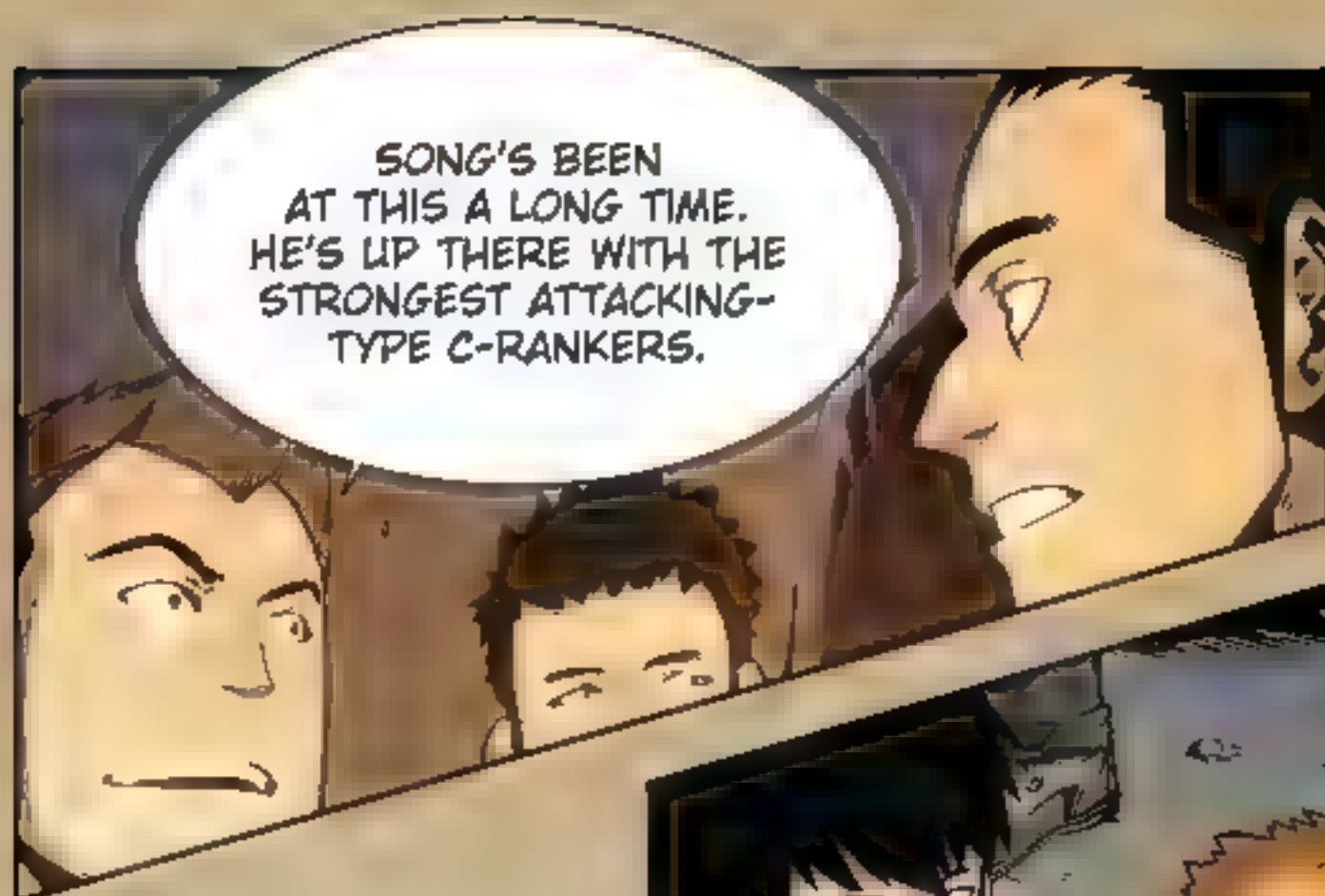




I'VE NEVER
SEEN A LAIR
WITH DOORS
LIKE THIS...

ISN'T THIS
STRANGE?





SONG'S BEEN
AT THIS A LONG TIME.
HE'S UP THERE WITH THE
STRONGEST ATTACKING-
TYPE C-RANKERS.



IF HE WASN'T
OVER SIXTY, HE'D
BE WORKING FOR A
LARGE GUILD.

TRUST SONG
TO THE END.





THESE DOORS OPEN
QUITE EASILY...

SHALL WE
ENTER?

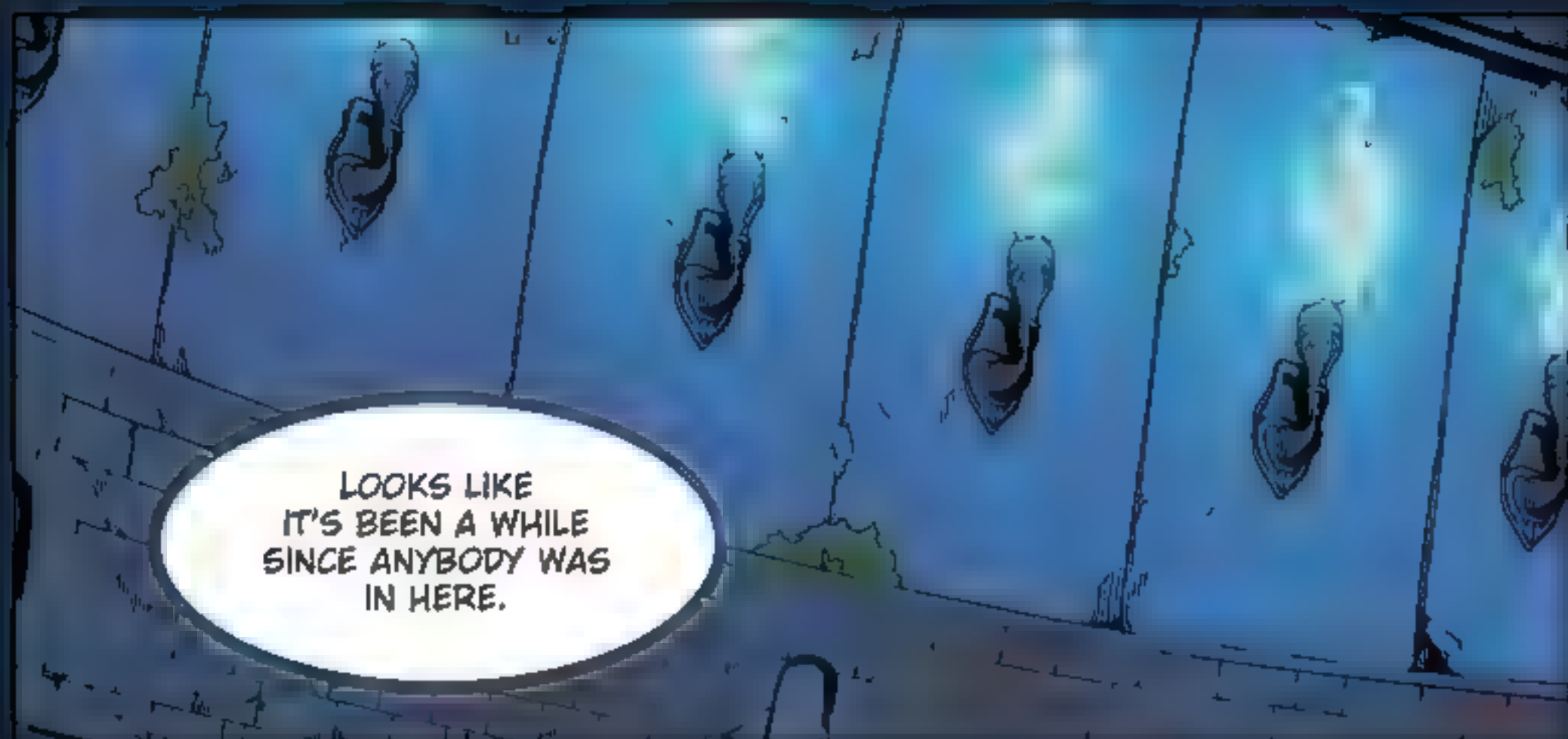
FWSH

FWSH

THM

TORCHES LIT
UP. NICE.

NEVER SEEN A
DUNGEON LIKE
THIS. LET'S SPLIT
UP AND SEARCH
THE PLACE.



LOOKS LIKE
IT'S BEEN A WHILE
SINCE ANYBODY WAS
IN HERE.



THESE STONE
STATUES...THERE'S
SOMETHING CREEPY
ABOUT THEM.

THEY'RE
EACH HOLDING
SOMETHING
DIFFERENT. THAT
ONE HAS A MUSICAL
INSTRUMENT.

SO MANY OF
THEM...WHICH KIND
OF SCARES ME.

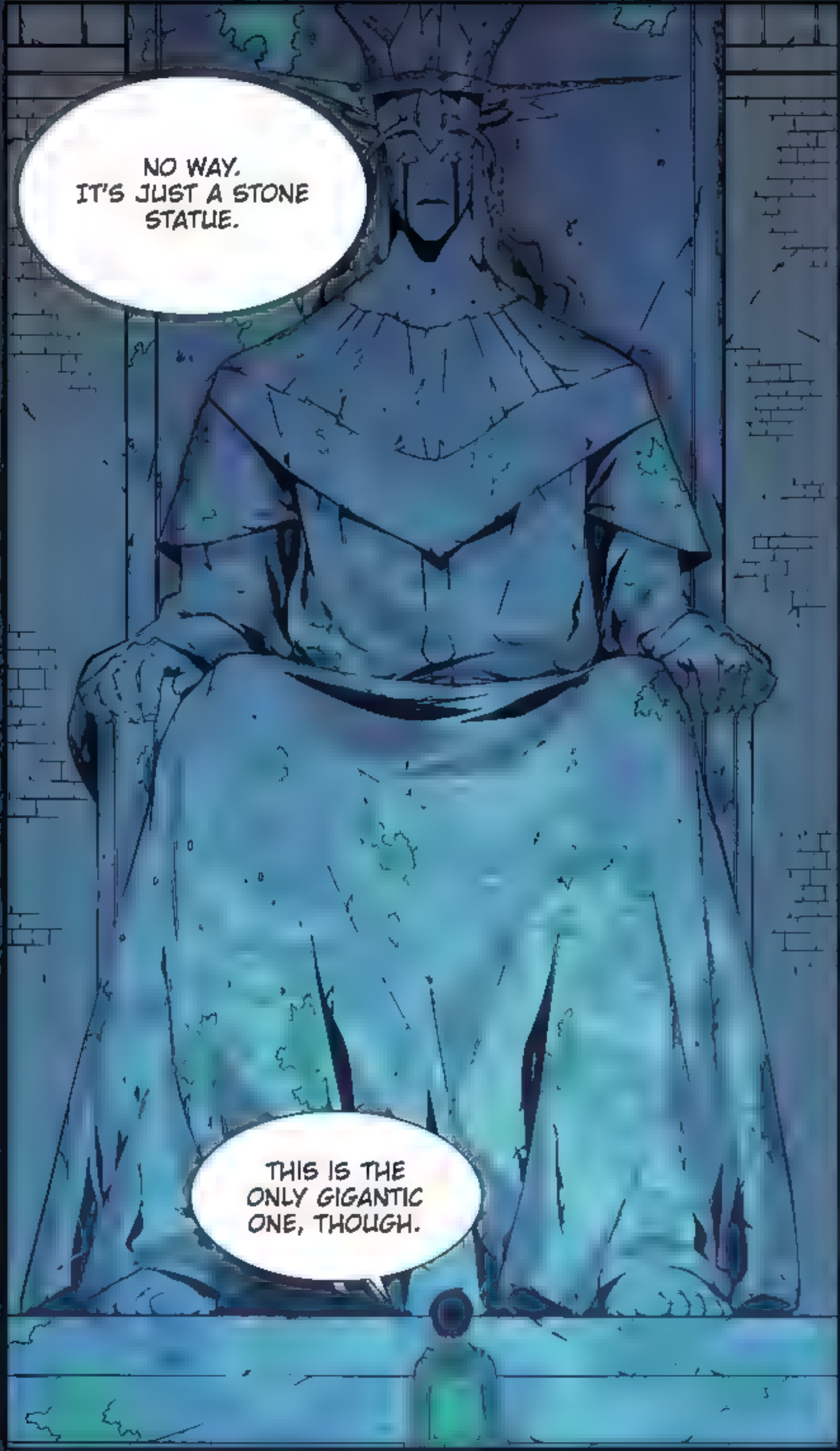
WOW...

DO YOU FEEL
LIKE WE'RE BEING
WATCHED?

STOP TALKING
NONSENSE.

WHOA, LOOK!
IT'S HUGE!

COULD
IT BE THE
BOSS?



NO WAY.
IT'S JUST A STONE
STATUE.

THIS IS THE
ONLY GIGANTIC
ONE, THOUGH.

I DON'T
SEE ANY MAGIC
BEASTS.

RIGHT?

HUH! I DON'T
EVEN SEE ANY
BUGS.

THNK

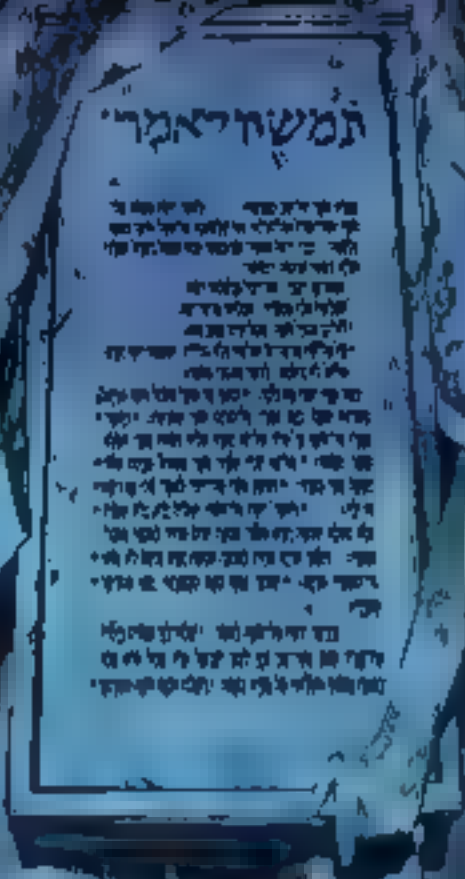
HMM?

A DIVINATION
CIRCLE?

SONG! THERE'S
SOMETHING
WRITTEN HERE!
YOU NEED TO
SEE THIS!



IS IT...A RUNIC
INSCRIPTION?



LET'S SEE...**"THE
COMMANDMENTS
OF THE CARTENON
TEMPLE.**

**"FIRST, THOU
SHALL WORSHIP
GOD."**



"SECOND,
THOU SHALL
PRAISE GOD."

GRAB

UH, JINWOO...

TH-THERE...THE
HUGE STATUE...

"THIRD, THOU
SHALL PROVE
THY FAITH."

ITS...EYES...
THEY JUST LOOKED
THIS WAY!

WHAT?
YOU'RE JUST SEEING
THINGS...



WAIT!



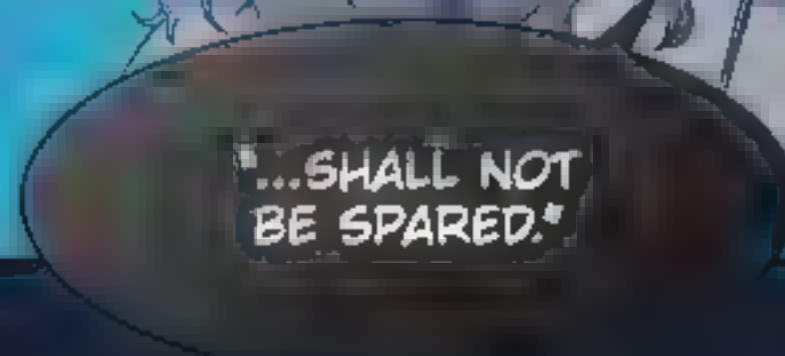
WHAT'S
THIS...OMINOUS
ENERGY?!



IT GOT
STRANGELY
QUIET.



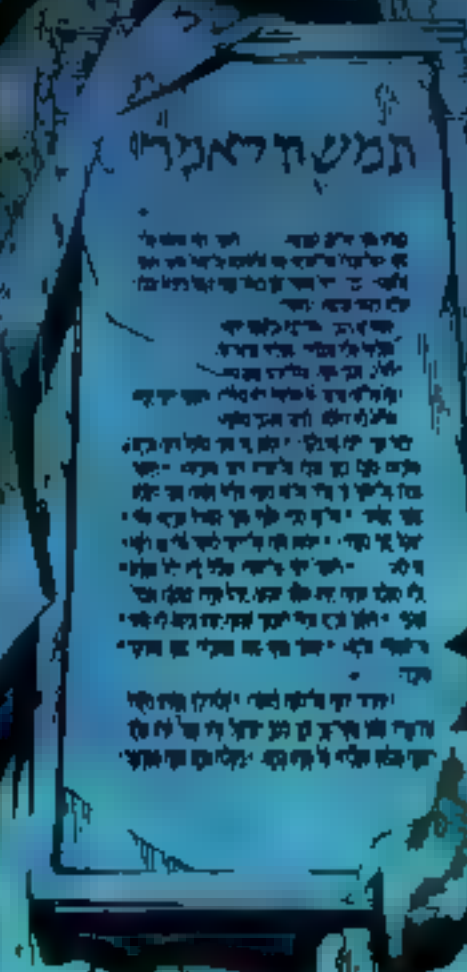
"THOSE WHO FAIL
TO OBEY THESE
COMMANDMENTS...



"...SHALL NOT
BE SPARED."

R
R
R
R

KLANG



**THE
DOORS!
THE
DOORS
CLOSED!!**



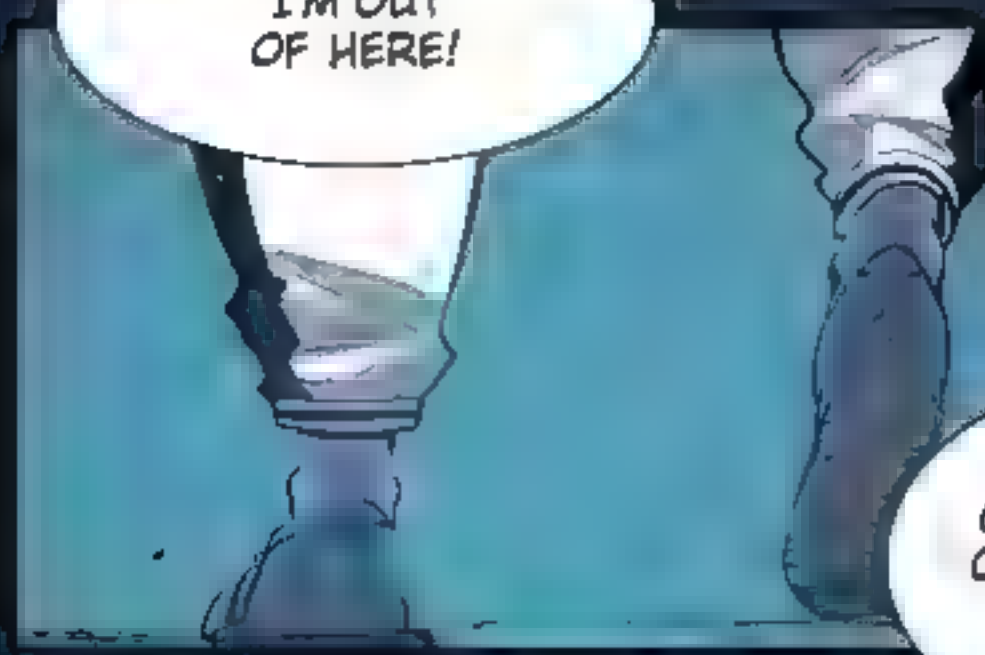


THE DOORS!
WHAT SHOULD
WE—



DAMN IT—
I'M DONE!

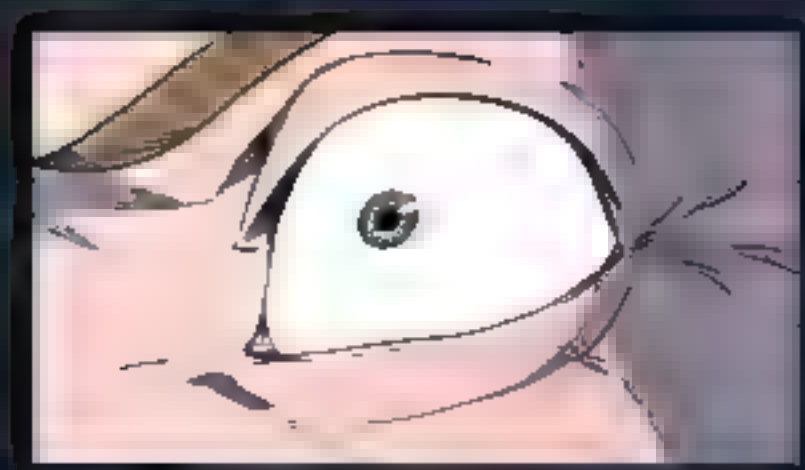
I SHOULDN'T
HAVE COME TO THIS
CRAZY PLACE!



I'M OUT
OF HERE!



GET THE BOSS
OR TREASURES
WITHOUT ME.



**NOOO!!
DON'T
TOUCH
THE
DOORS!!**



SHHK



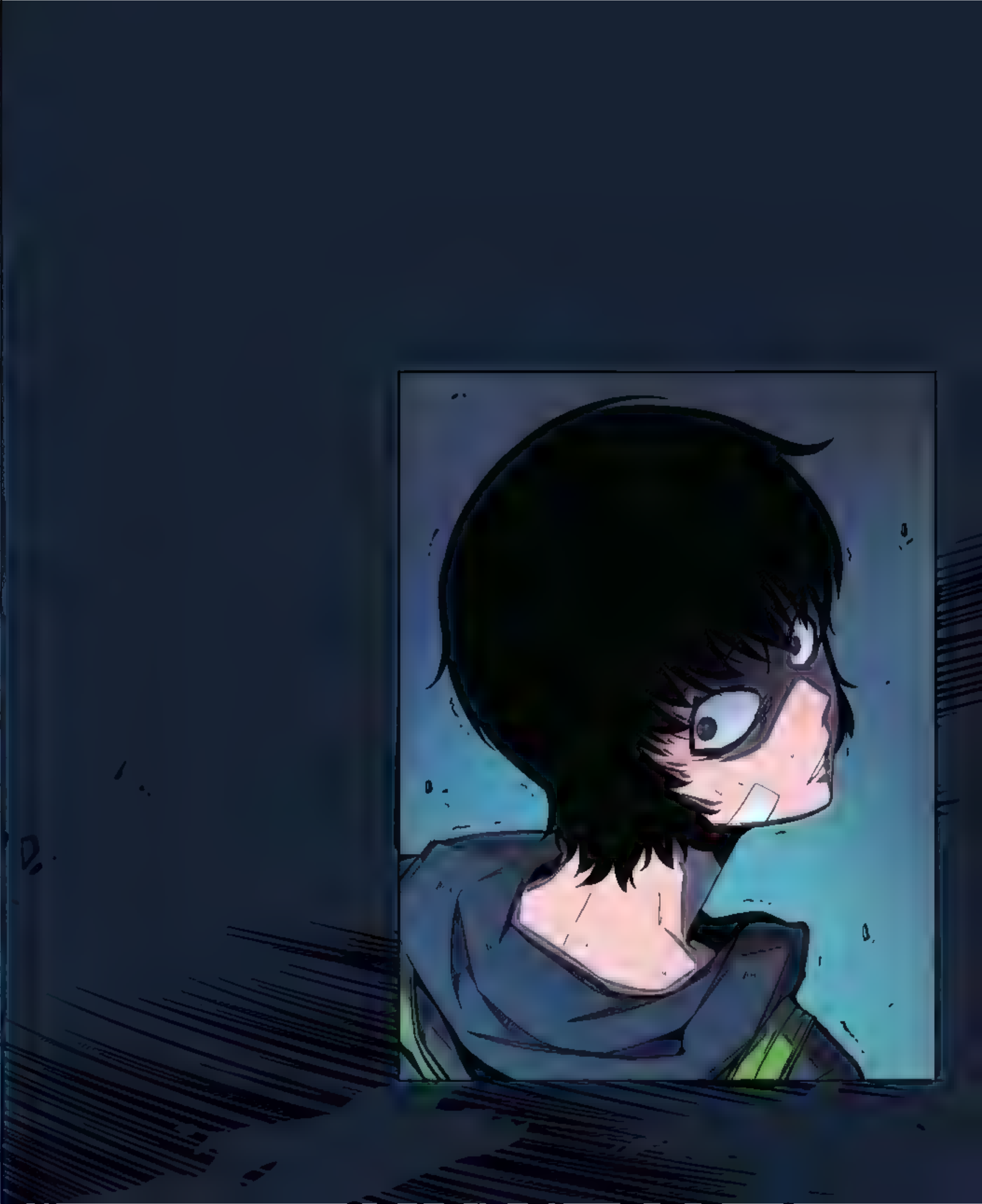
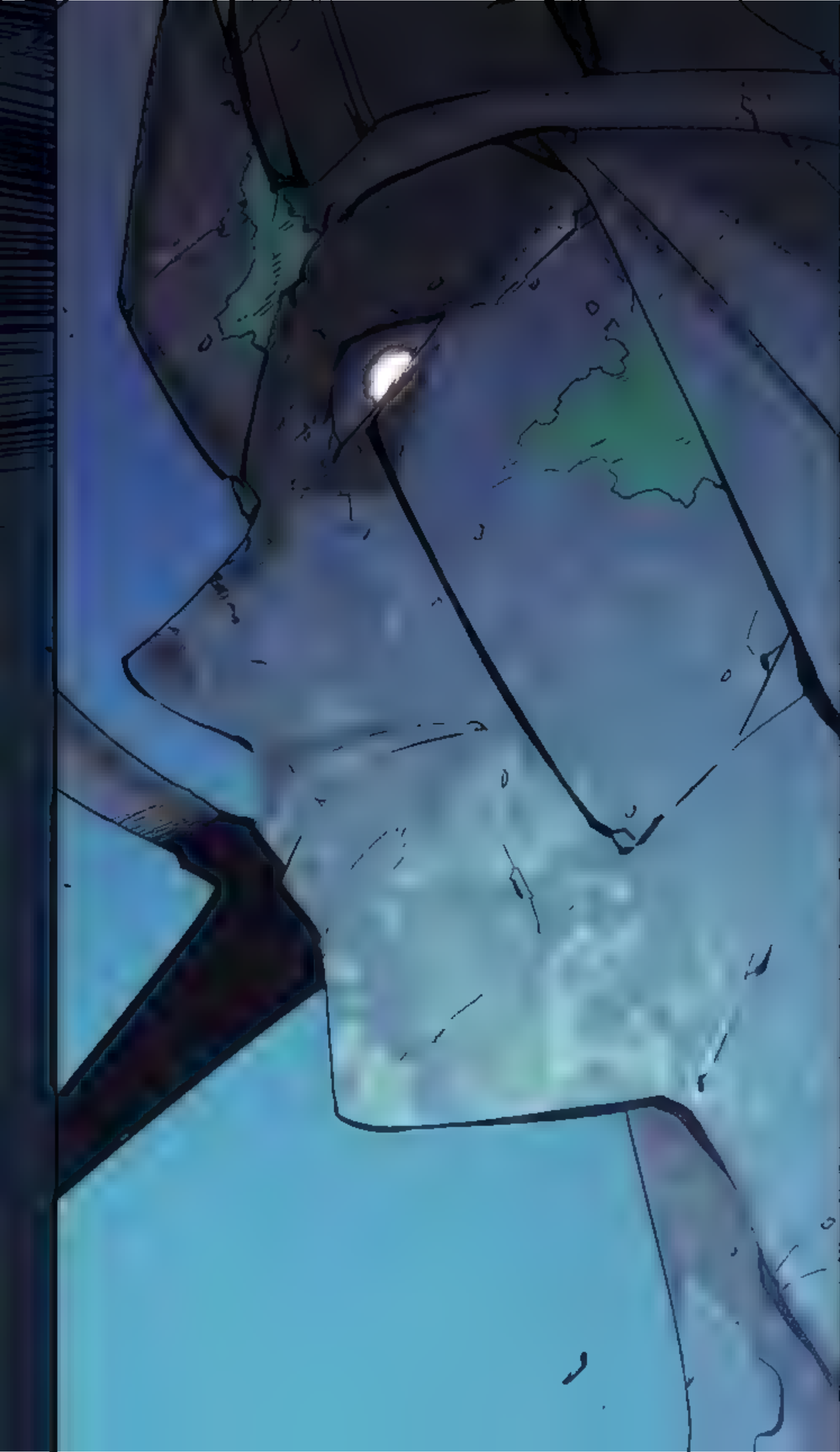


IT...IT CAN
MOVE!



WHUD





**WE REALLY HAVE
TO FIGHT THOSE
THINGS?!**





WHAT RANK
WAS THE MAN WHO
JUST DIED?

D-RANK?



HE'S
STRONGER THAN
ME, AN E-RANK,
BUT IT ONLY TOOK
ONE STRIKE?

WAIT A
MINUTE...



THIS IS ONLY
A D-RANK
DUNGEON.

THERE AREN'T
SUPPOSED TO BE
CRAZY MONSTERS
LIKE THIS!

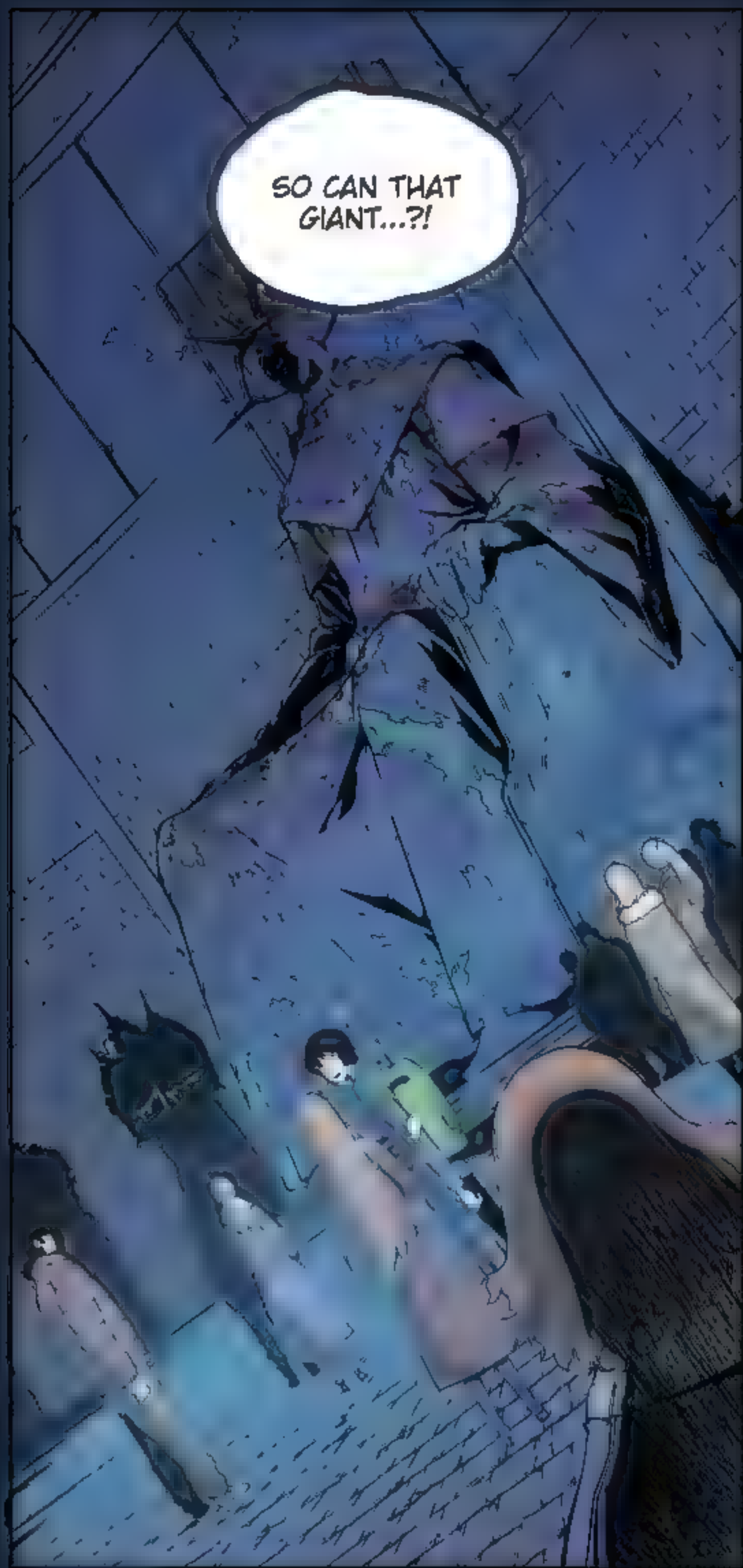


IF ALL THESE
STONE STATUES
CAN MOVE, THAT
MEANS...



NO WAY...

SO CAN THAT
GIANT...?!



*THIS ISN'T THE
FIRST TIME I'VE COME
CLOSE TO DEATH.*

*ON MY FIRST RAID,
I WAS SEPARATED
FROM MY PARTY
AND GOT LOST.*



*IT WAS ONLY AN
E-RANK BEAST THAT
STABBED ME, BUT I
WAS HOSPITALIZED
FOR WEEKS.*



ONCE, I WAS STUCK IN A MAZE
AND RAN OUT OF FOOD.



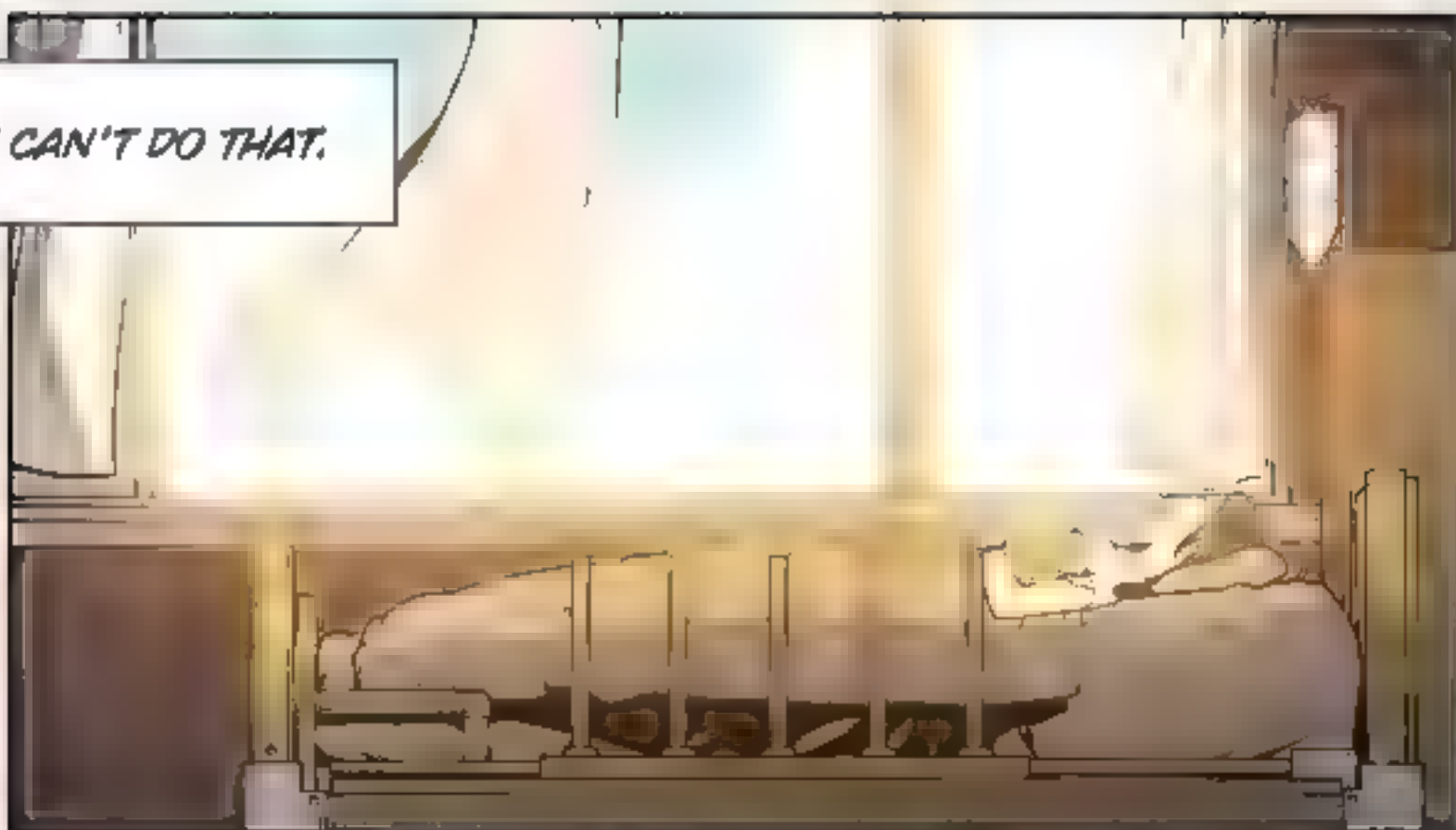
MY LIFE IS IN DANGER EVEN
IN LOW-RANK DUNGEONS.

OTHER HUNTERS SELL ESSENCE
STONES AND USE THE MONEY TO
UPGRADE THEIR WEAPONS...



...SO THAT THEY CAN DEFEAT
STRONGER MAGIC BEASTS
AND EARN HIGHER FEES.

BUT I CAN'T DO THAT.



*I USE MY
BARE HANDS.*

*EVEN IF I BOUGHT
A SO-SO WEAPON,
IT'D JUST
GET DESTROYED
RIGHT AWAY.*

*UNLESS IT'S REALLY
SERIOUS, I CAN BE
HEALED FROM MOST
INJURIES ANYWAY.*



*LOOK—THAT
DUDE GOT BEAT
UP AGAIN.*

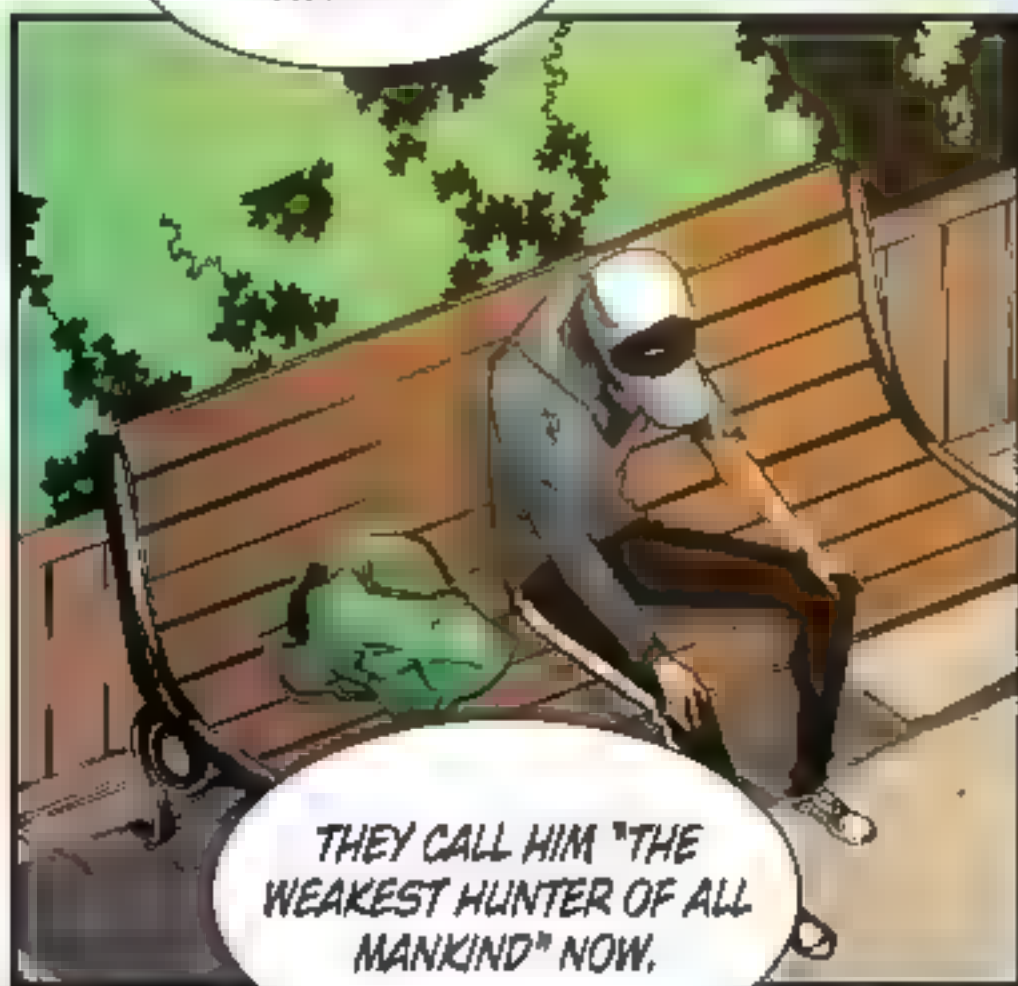
*IN AN E-RANK
DUNGEON?*

*I FEEL BAD FOR
THE HEALERS WHO RAID
WITH HIM.*

*IT'S TWICE
THE WORK.*



HAVE YOU
HEARD?



THEY CALL HIM "THE
WEAKEST HUNTER OF ALL
MANKIND" NOW.

HE'S A HUNTER, BUT
HE'S USELESS.



MY SHOE IS
RIPPED?

AMID ALL THE MOCKERY,
I CONTINUED TO GET
BEATEN UP EVERY DAY...

...DOING POORLY AT A
DANGEROUS JOB, AND PUTTING
MY LIFE ON THE LINE.



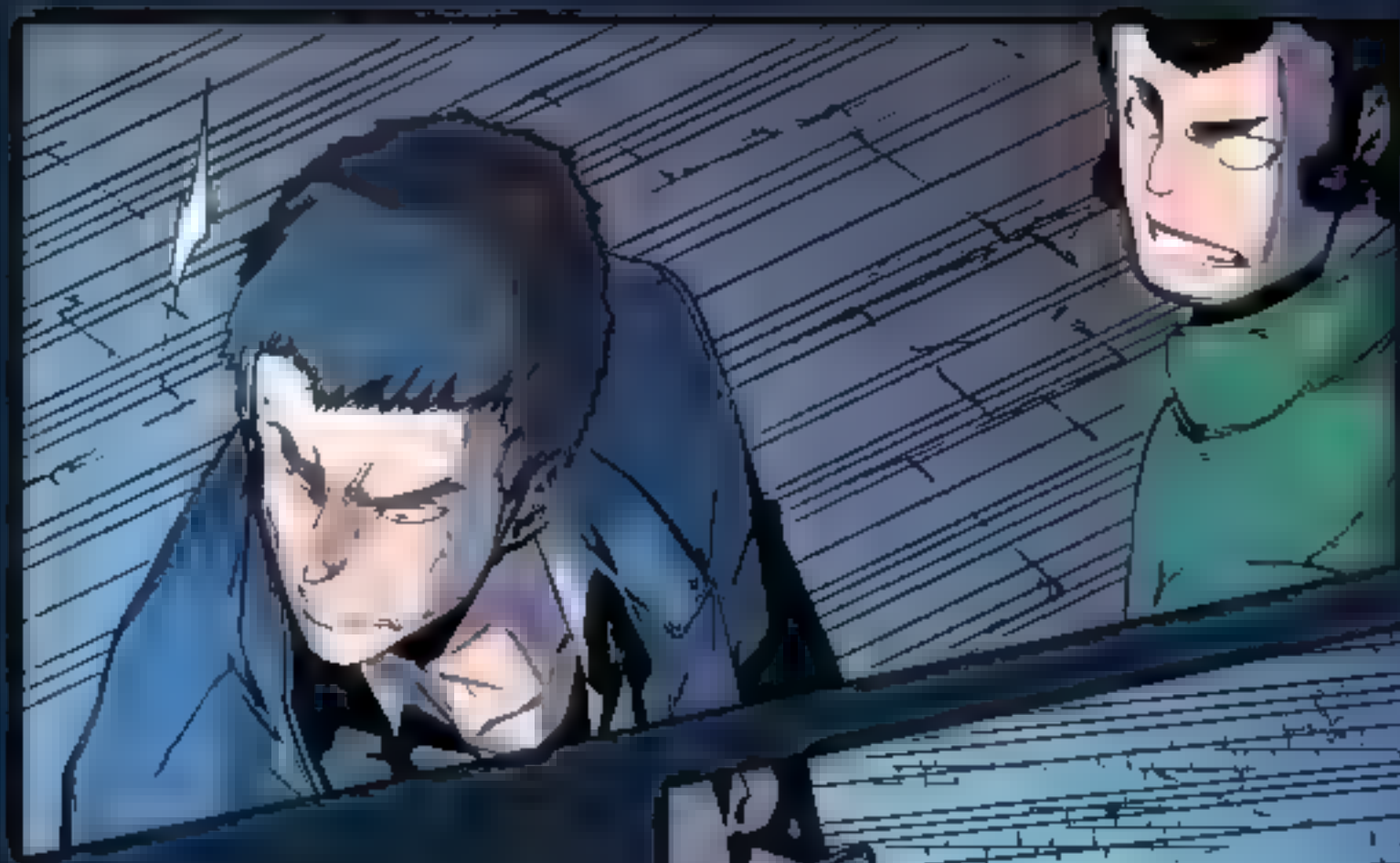
MAYBE THAT'S
WHY...

...I COULD TELL
RIGHT AWAY.

SNAP

EVERY-
ONE!
DUCK!

GRAB



FF



ASH



KRA

KOON

AAARGH!!

!!





KKKKNNBEE

**GET
UP!**

HEY!





JOOHEE!

**TREM
BLE**

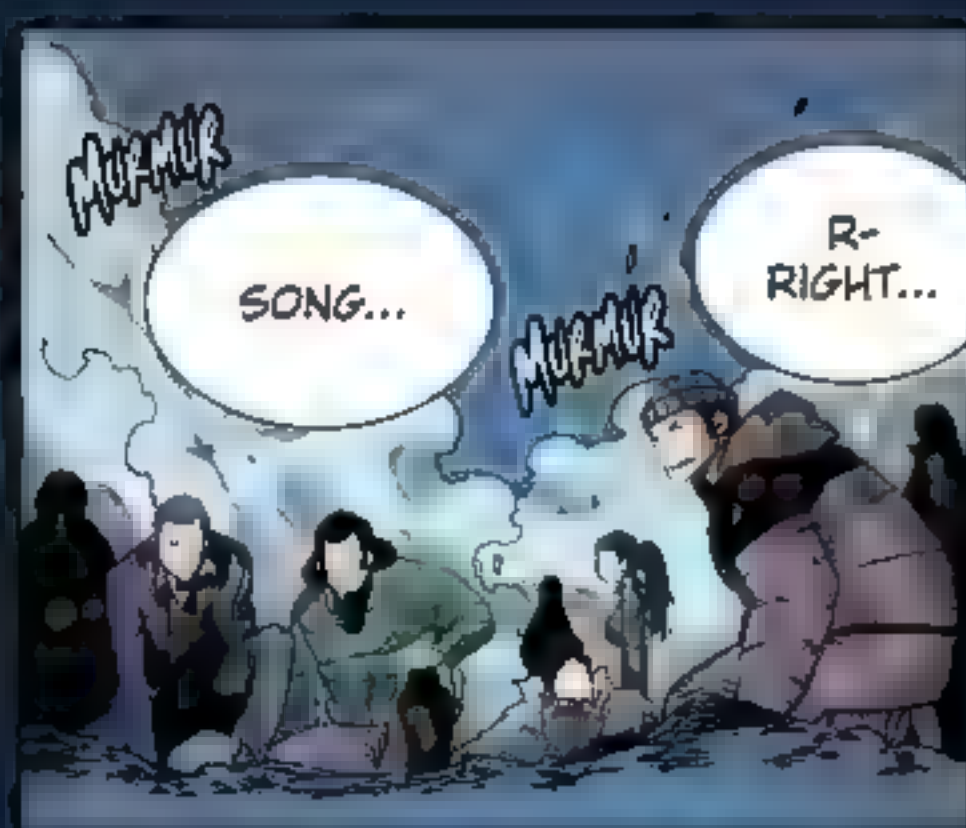
**TREM
BLE**

JOOHEE!

**EVERYONE!
STAY DOWN!
STAY STILL!**



**MOVE, AND YOU
MIGHT GET
ATTACKED AGAIN!**



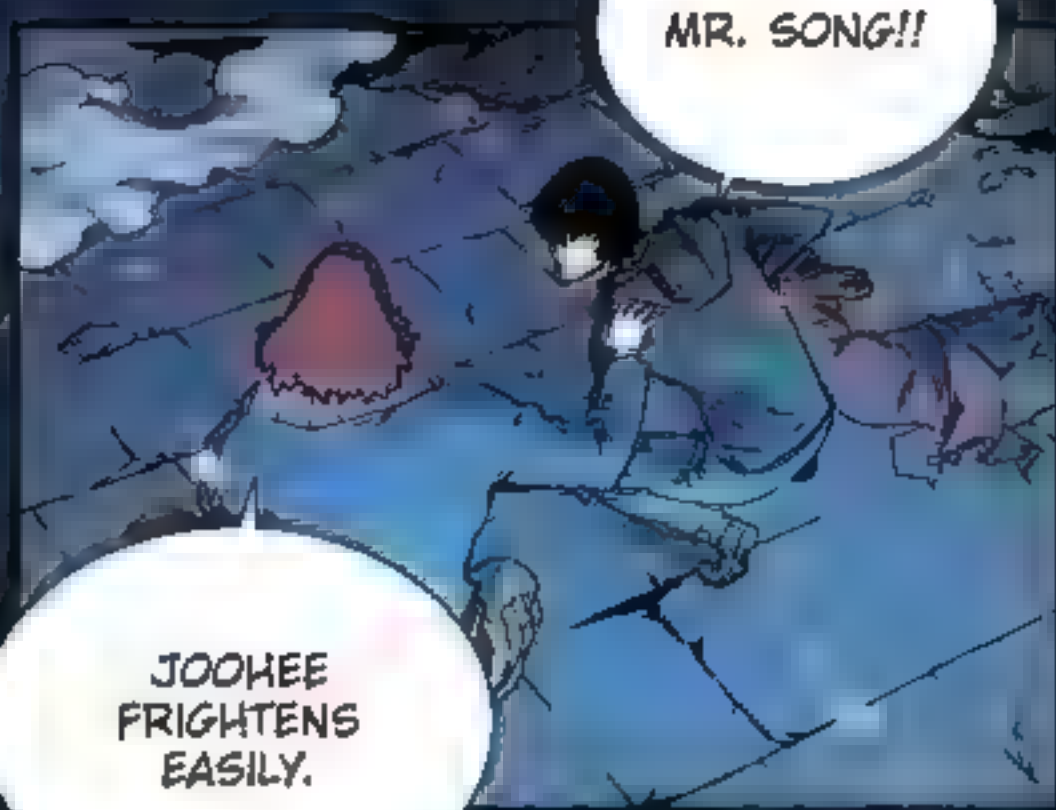
MUMUR

SONG...

MUMUR

**R-
RIGHT...**

MR. SONG!!



**JOOHEE
FRIGHTENS
EASILY.**

**THAT'S WHY SHE
ONLY DOES EASY
RAIDS DESPITE BEING
A B-RANK HEALER.**

BUT THIS
PLACE...

PSHHHHH

...DOES NOT
LOOK EASY.

EVERYONE
WHO KEPT MOVING
WAS KILLED. THOSE
WHO HEARD YOU
SURVIVED.

OH...
I SEE.

HUH?
DIDN'T YOU
YELL KNOWING
SOMETHING WAS
COMING?



I...
I JUST SENSED
DANGER.



AH?!

YOUR...
YOUR ARM!



IT'S TOLERABLE.
JUST HELP ME
STOP THE BLEEDING,
PLEASE.



SUNG...WHAT
DO YOU THINK THAT
THING'S RANK IS?

NOT
SURE...

I'VE NEVER
BEEN TO A RAID
HIGHER THAN
D-RANK, SO...

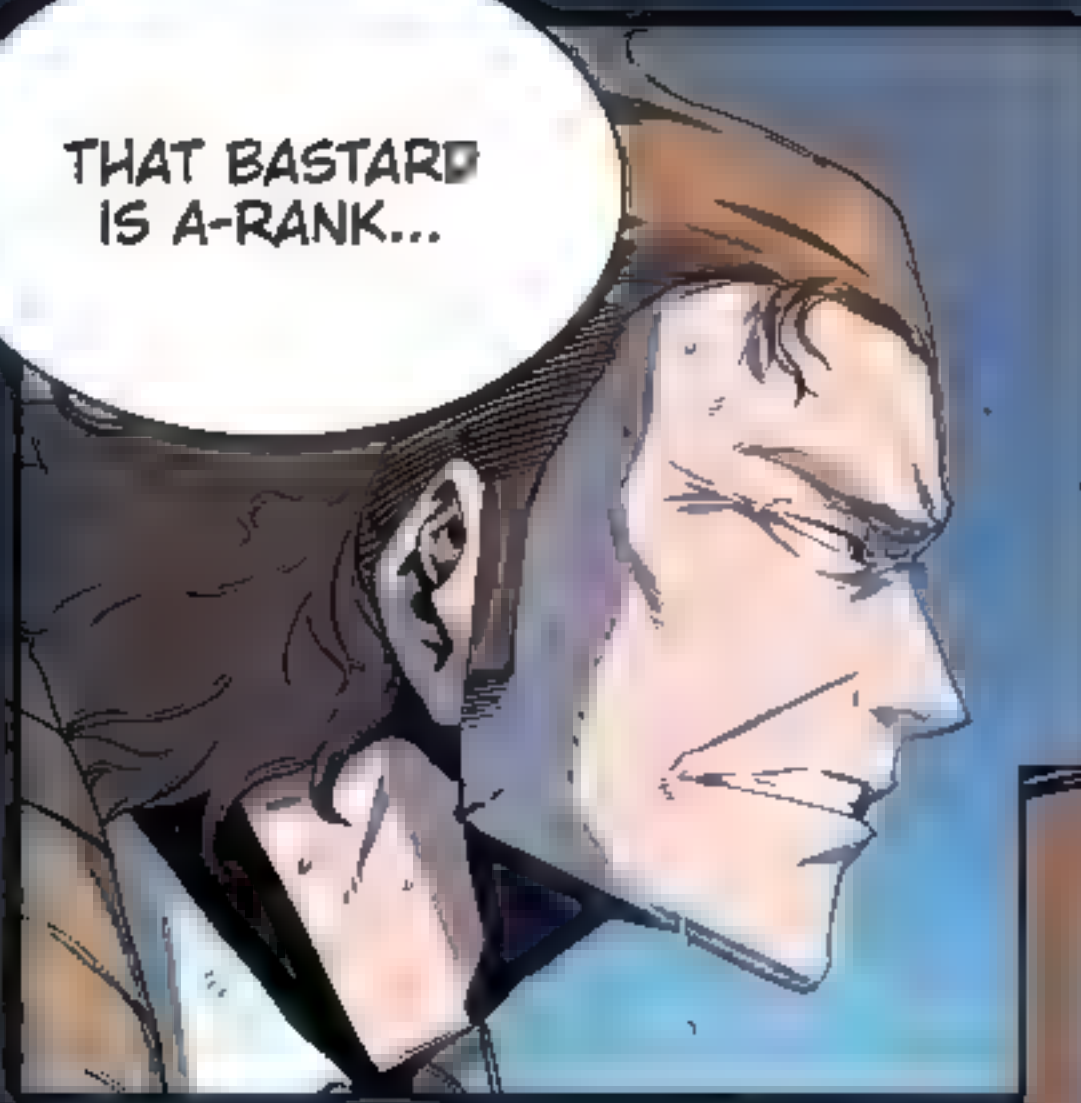


I'VE EXPERIENCED
B-RANK DUNGEONS A
FEW TIMES, BUT...

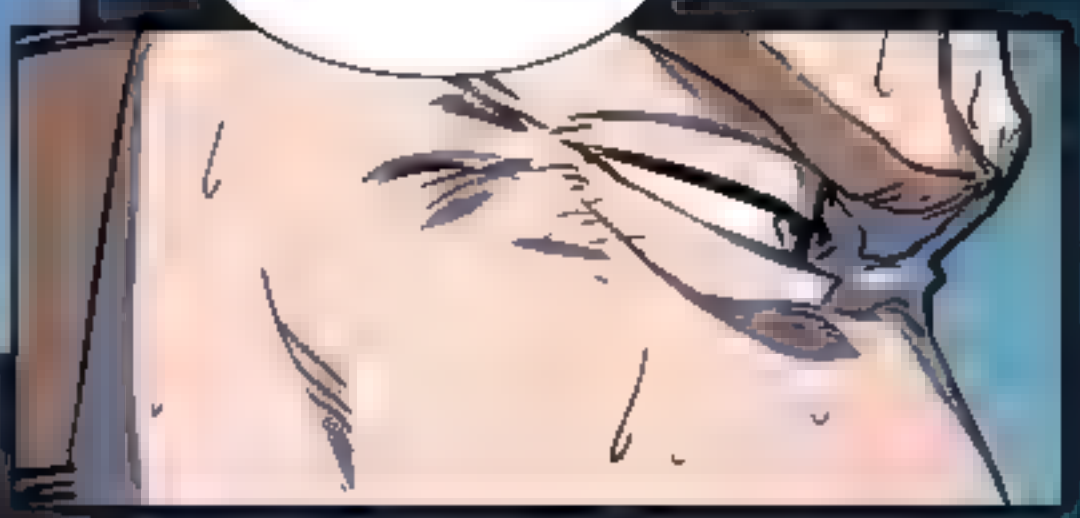
...YOU CAN'T EVEN
COMPARE THIS PLACE
TO A B-RANK ONE.

THERE WERE NO
MAGIC BEASTS IN
THOSE DUNGEONS
WHO COULD
INSTAKILL.





THAT BASTARD
IS A-RANK...

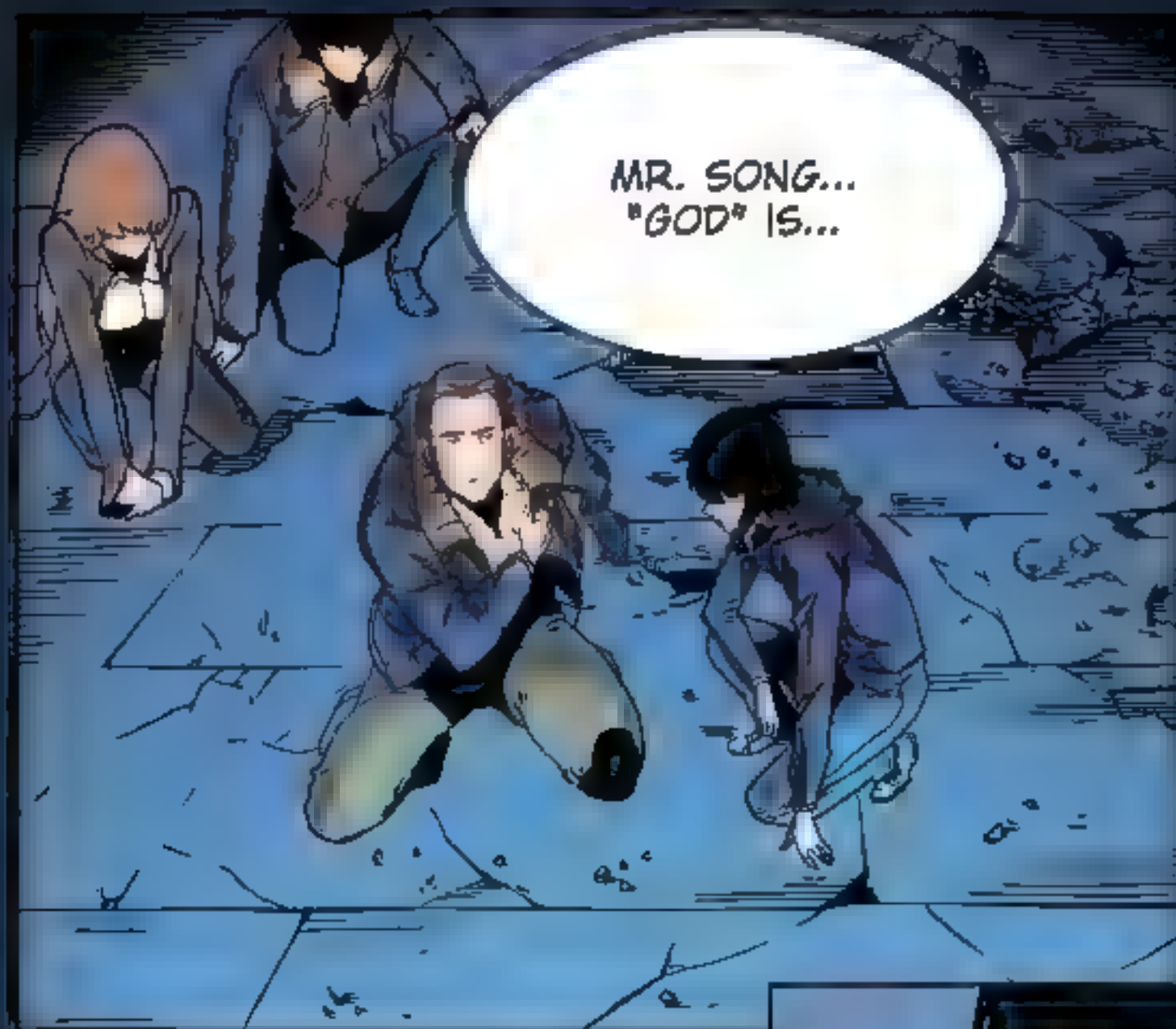


NO...



...MAYBE S-RANK!

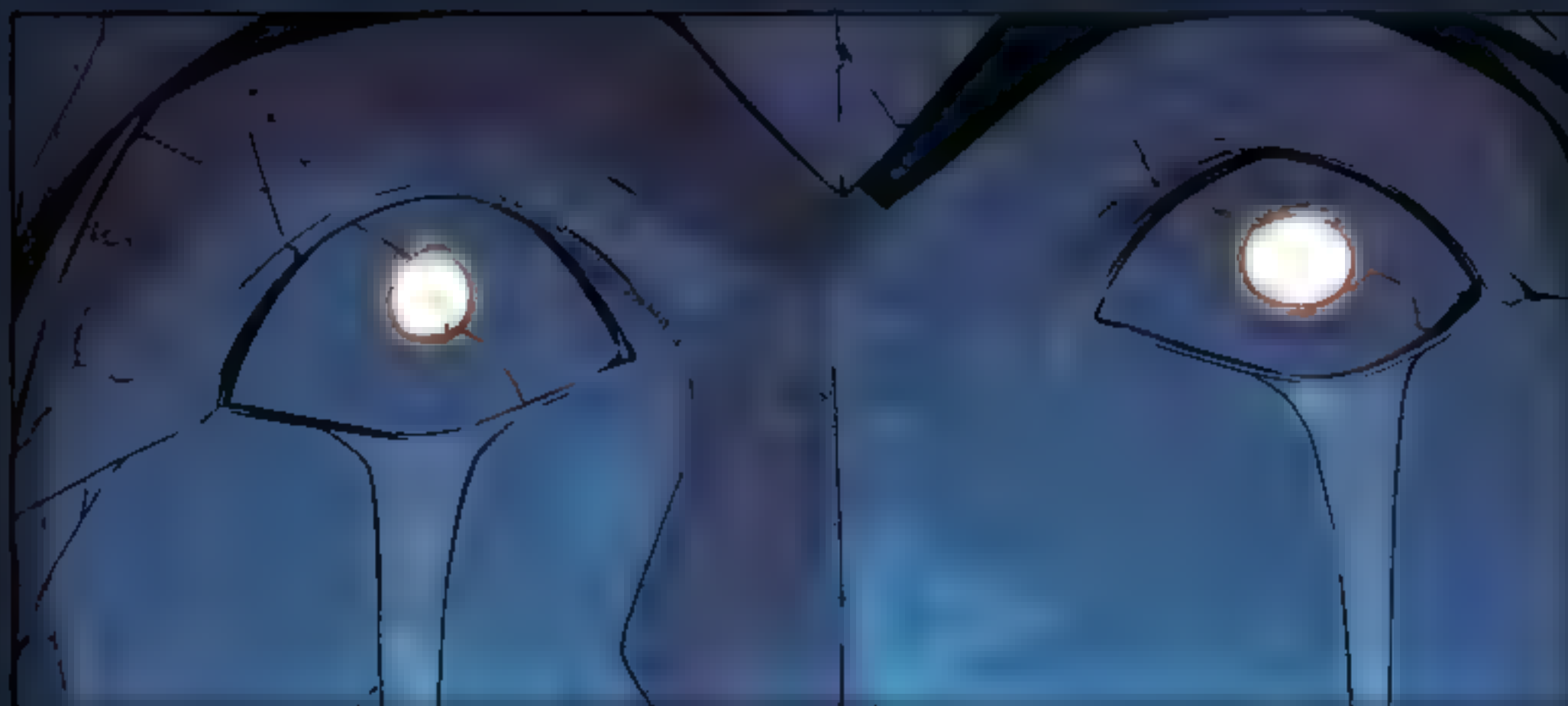
THOSE
COMMANDMENTS
I READ...



MR. SONG...
"GOD" IS...



...PROBABLY...





A person with short dark hair, wearing a white hoodie and dark pants, is seen from behind, looking at a large tree trunk. The scene is outdoors with a blurred background of trees and foliage. A speech bubble is positioned to the left of the person's head.

...THAT BASTARD,
ISN'T IT?

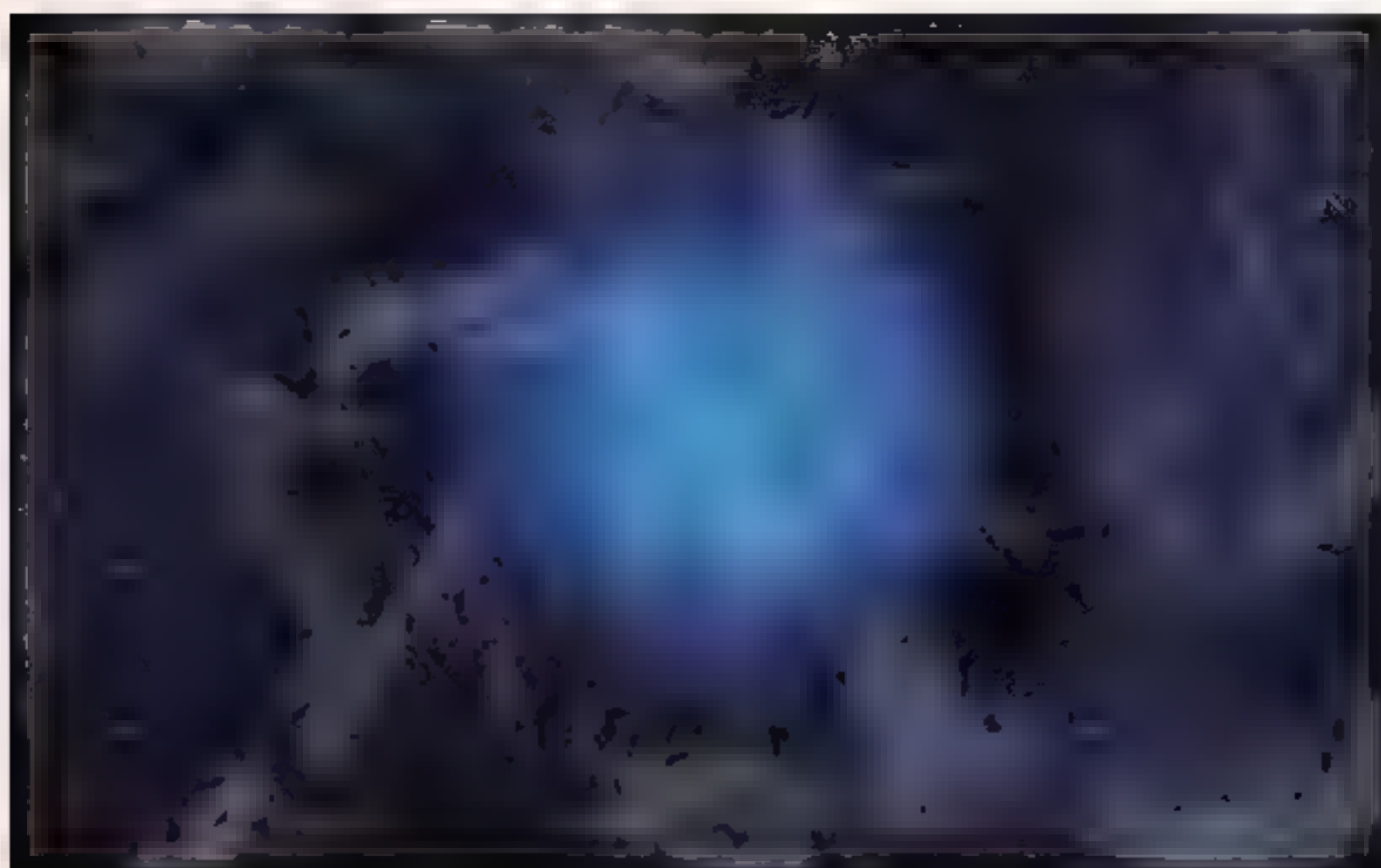
IT'S ONLY A MATTER
OF TIME BEFORE WE
ALL WIND UP DEAD...



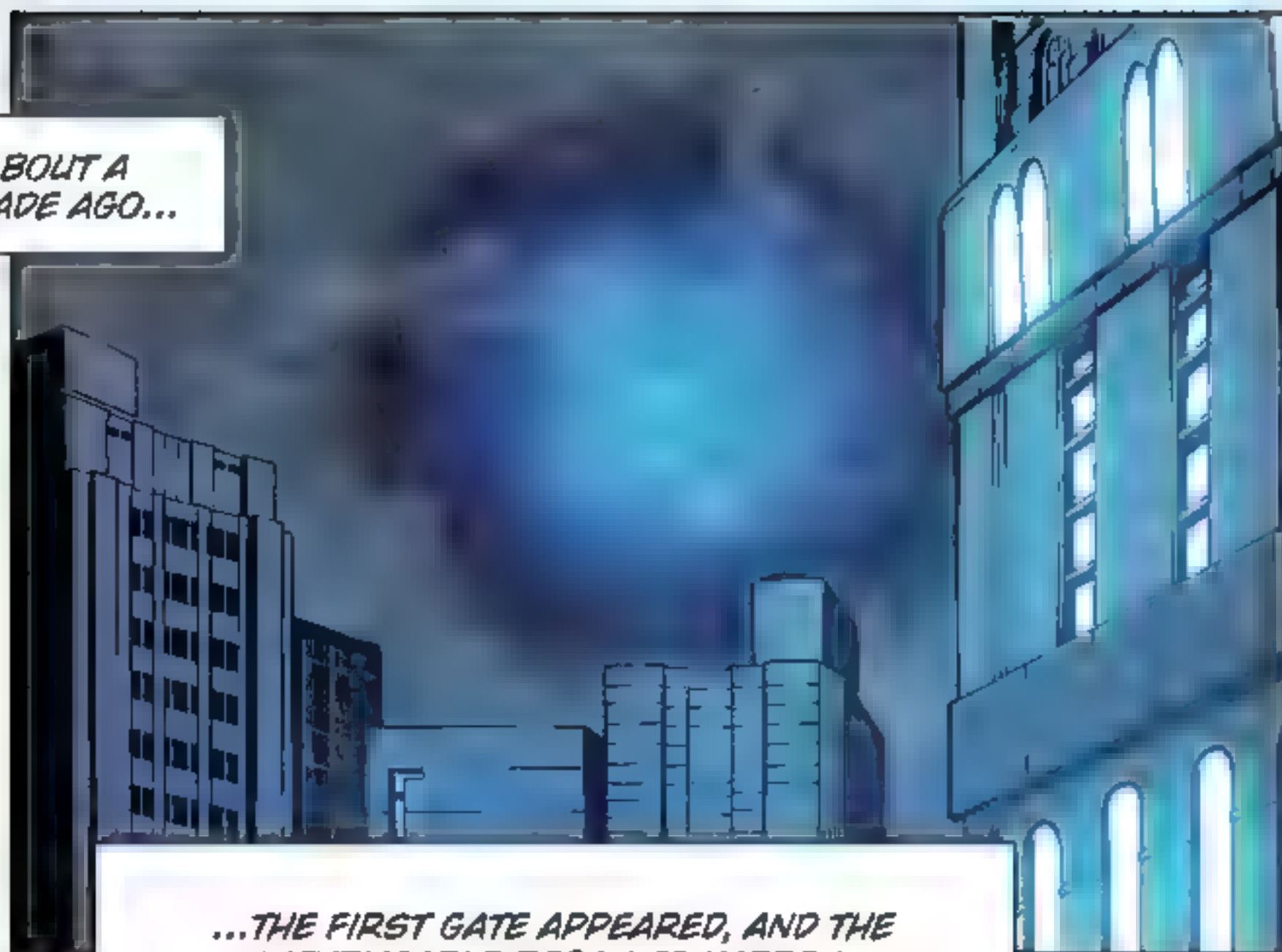
GATES—



*PATHS THAT LEAD FROM HERE
TO THE OTHER WORLD.*



*ABOUT A
DECADE AGO...*



*...THE FIRST GATE APPEARED, AND THE
INEXPLICABLE BEGAN TO HAPPEN.*

*FOR ONE, AWAKENED
BEINGS WHO ARE KNOWN
AS HUNTERS SHOWED UP.*



*THEY RECEIVE THEIR POWERS
DURING THEIR AWAKENING,
AND THAT POWER NEVER
CHANGES.*



*I'M ONE OF THEM, BUT
BECAUSE MY POWER
IS SO LOW, I WAS
CLASSIFIED E-RANK.*

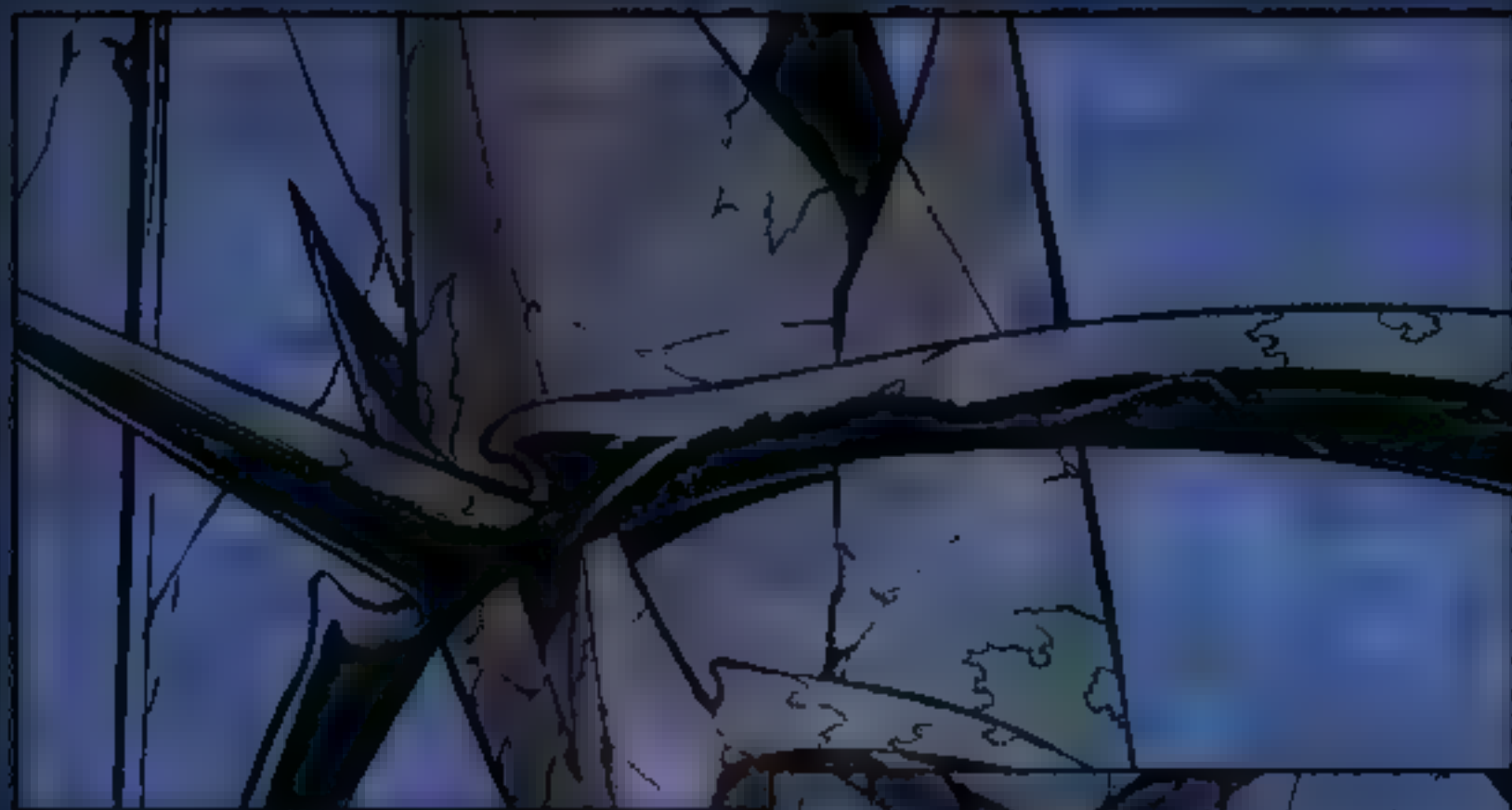
*DESPITE BEING STRONGER
THAN THE AVERAGE HUMAN,
MY ABILITIES ARE A FAR CRY
FROM WHAT THE HIGHER
RANKS CAN DO.*



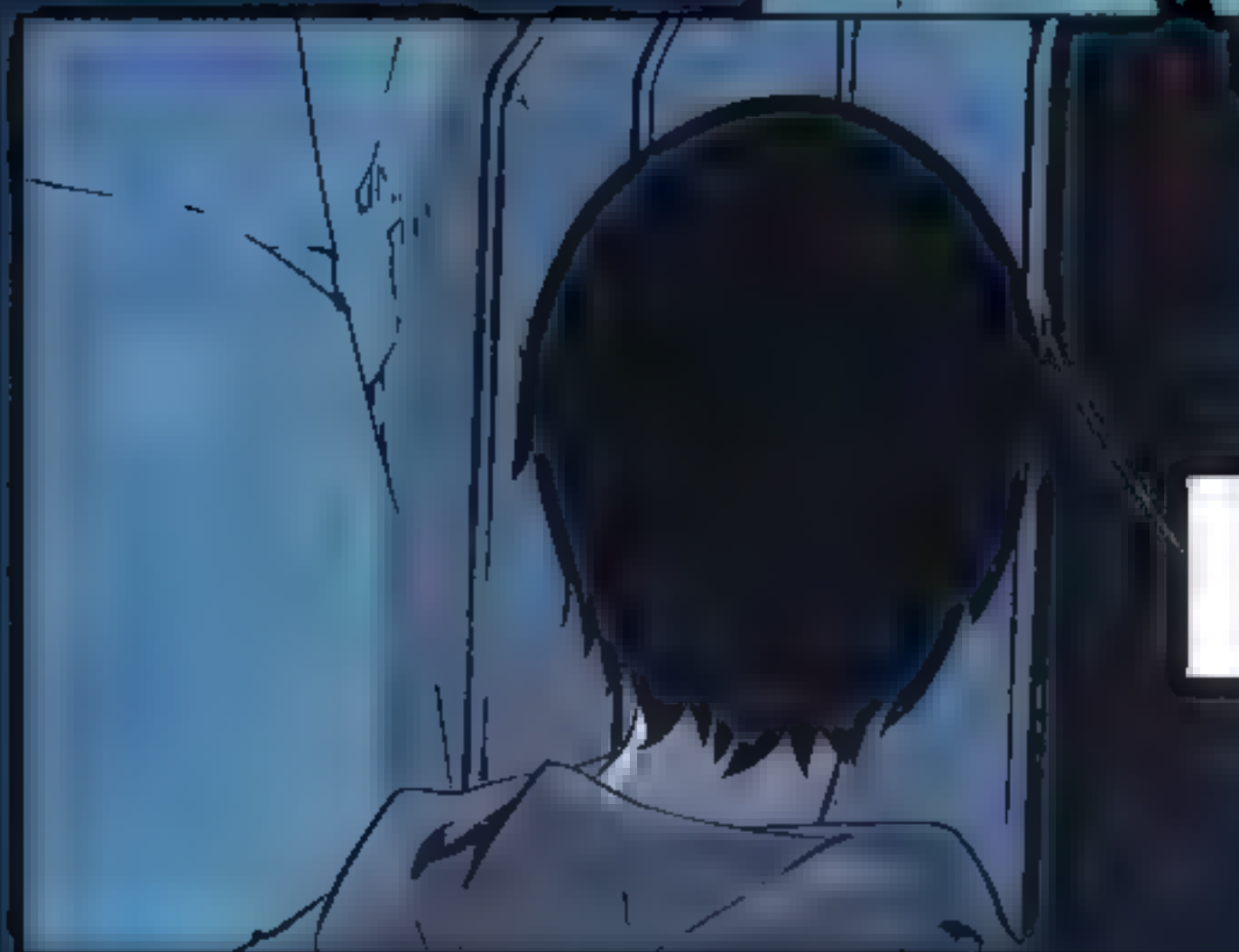
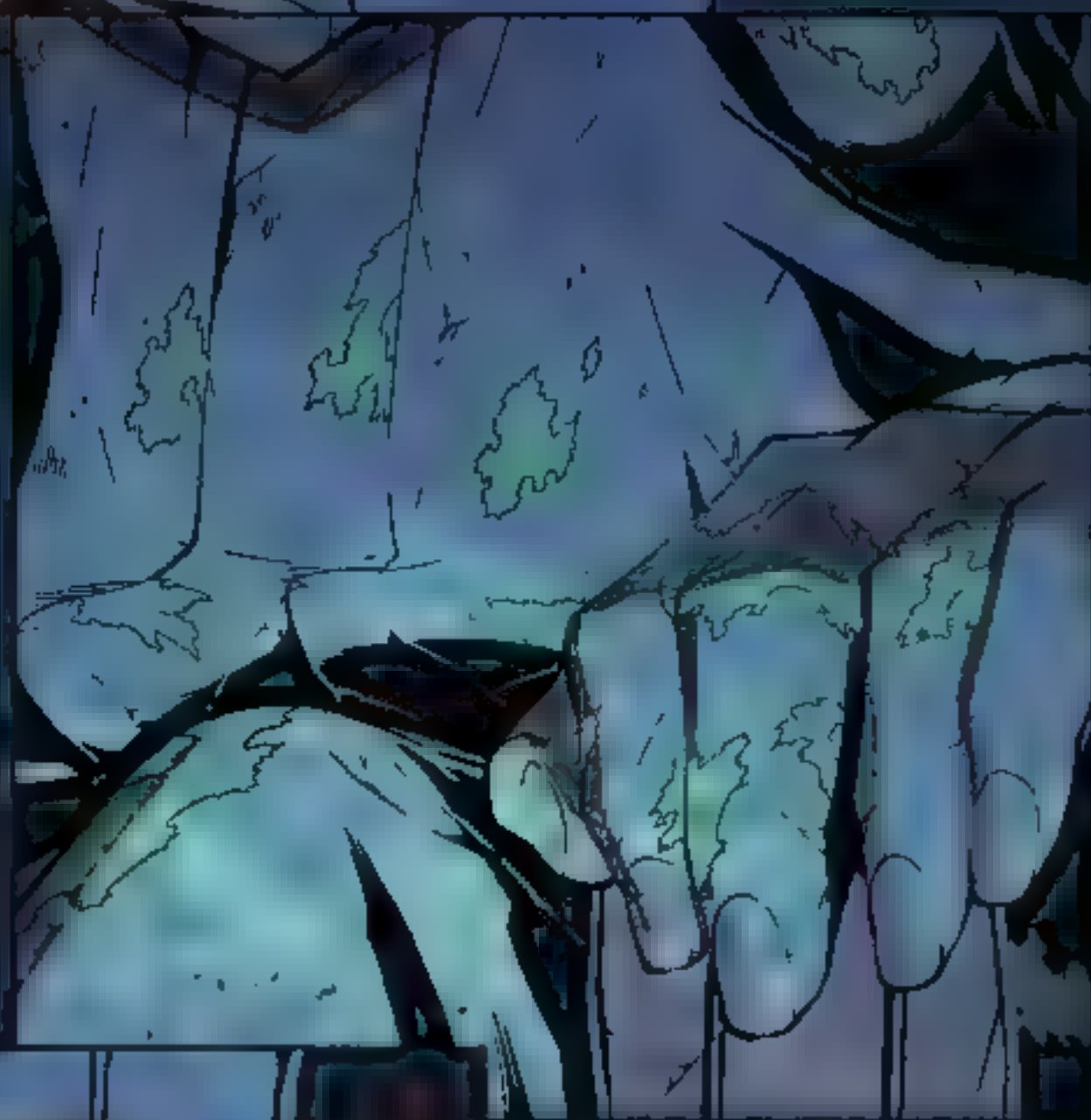
*THESE BEINGS RAID
DUNGEONS THAT LIE BEYOND
THE GATES IN ORDER TO
DEFEAT MAGIC BEASTS...*

*...AND THOSE WHO
MADE IT A JOB ARE
CALLED HUNTERS.*

*SOMETIMES,
BEYOND A GATE...*



...A SCARY...



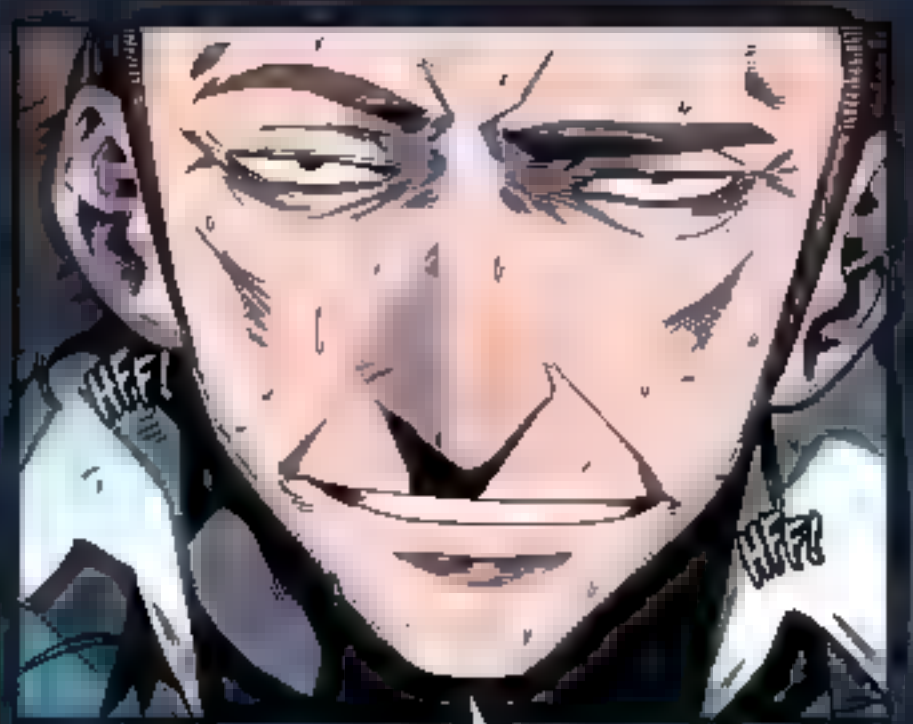
...AND
UNBEATABLE...

...MONSTER
APPEARS.





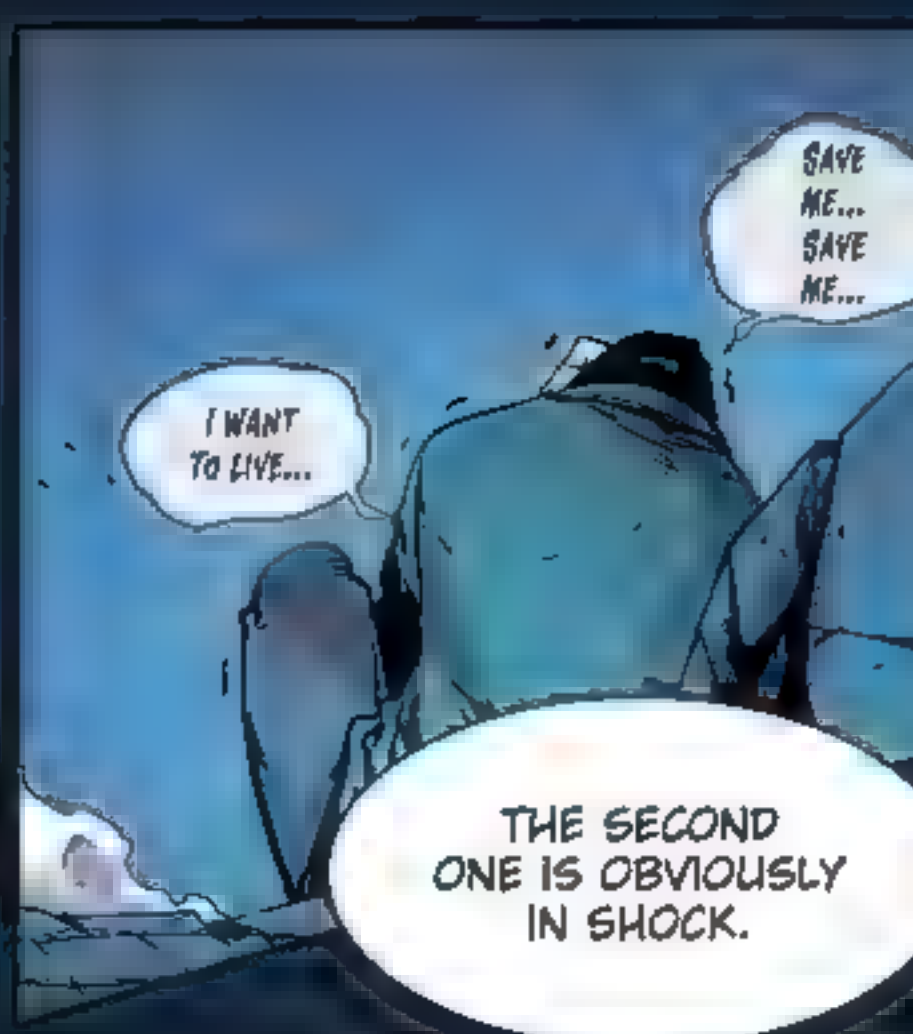
ARE YOU
GOING TO BE OKAY?
THE BLEEDING HASN'T
STOPPED.



NOTHING CAN BE
DONE. WE ONLY HAD
THREE HEALERS ON
THIS "EASY" RAID.



AFTER THE ATTACK,
THERE'S NOTHING LEFT
OF ONE OF THEM.



I WANT
TO LIVE...

SAVE
ME...
SAVE
ME...

THE SECOND
ONE IS OBVIOUSLY
IN SHOCK.

THIS IS ALL NEW,
EVEN FOR A B-RANK
HEALER LIKE JOOHEE...
HA-HA...NO HEALING
MAGIC FOR ME.

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

IT'S NOT A GOOD
IDEA TO TACKLE THAT
THING HEAD-ON.

ONCE THINGS CALM
DOWN, WE SHOULD
CONSIDER AN EXIT
STRATEGY.

UNNNH...

WHY
US...?

THOUGH IT WON'T
BE EASY...

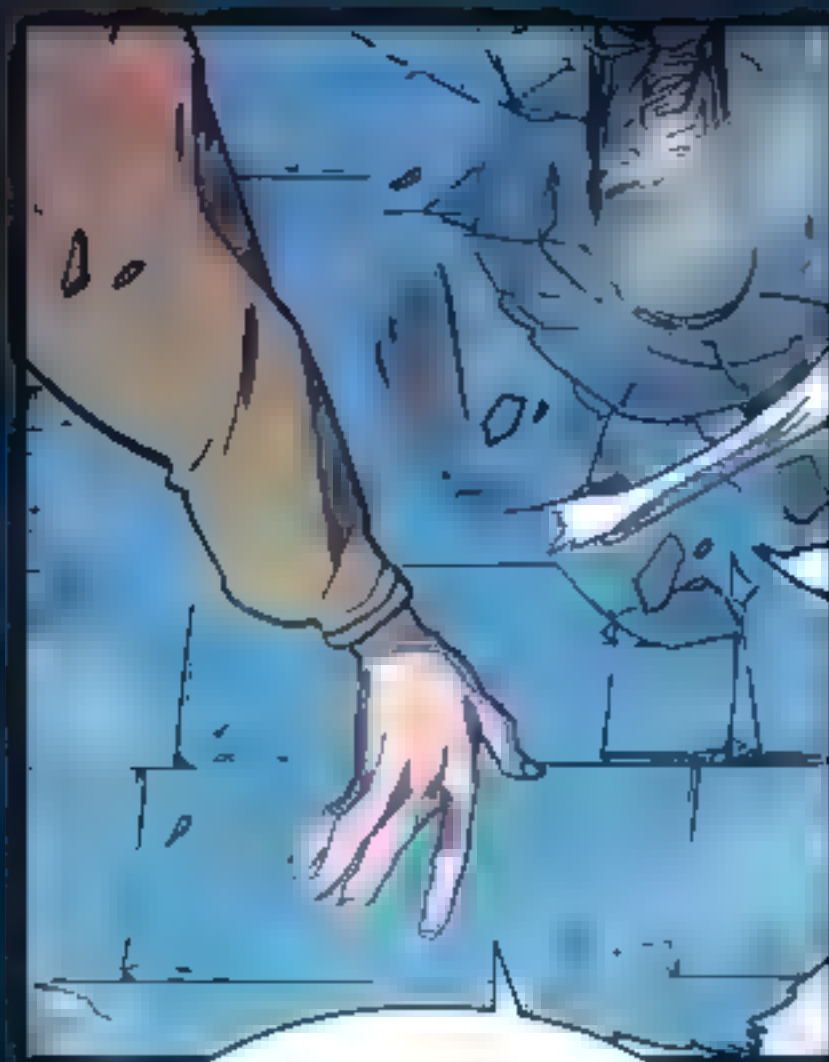
THIS'S
SUPPOSED TO
BE A D-RANK
DUNGEON...

A large, close-up illustration of a character's face, likely a woman with dark hair and a determined expression. She is wearing a white rectangular device on her cheek. The background is dark and textured, possibly representing a forest or a cave.

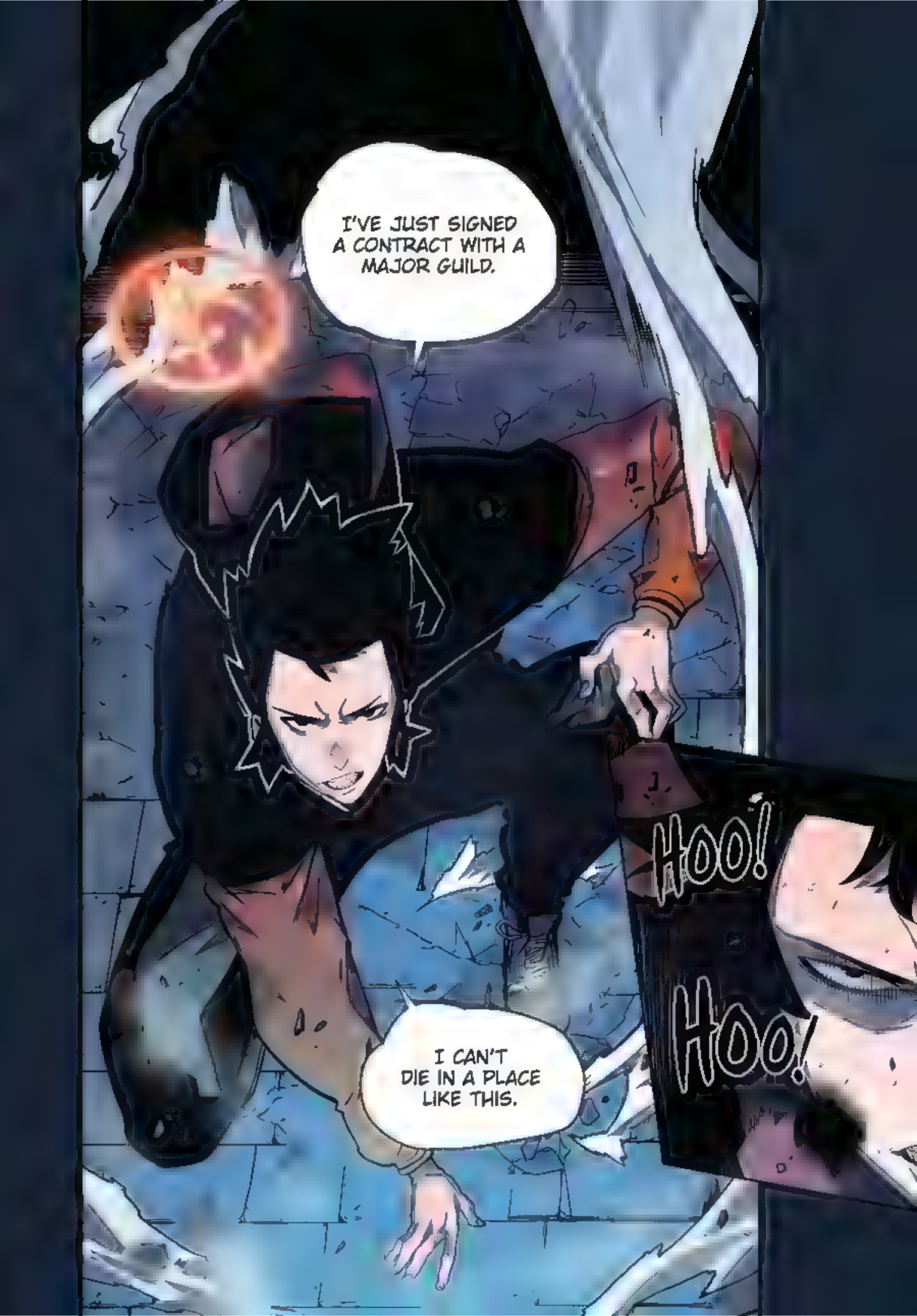
LIKE MR. SONG
SAID, WE'LL GET
ATTACKED AS SOON
AS WE MOVE.

EVEN IF
WE'RE LUCKY AND
GET CLOSER TO THE
DOORS, THERE ARE
GUARDS RIGHT BY
THE ENTRANCE.

THEY HAVE NO
INTENTION OF LETTING
US OUT!



I CAN'T DIE
LIKE THIS.



I'VE JUST SIGNED
A CONTRACT WITH A
MAJOR GUILD.

I CAN'T
DIE IN A PLACE
LIKE THIS.

HOO!

HOO!



**YES!
I CAN DO
THIS!**

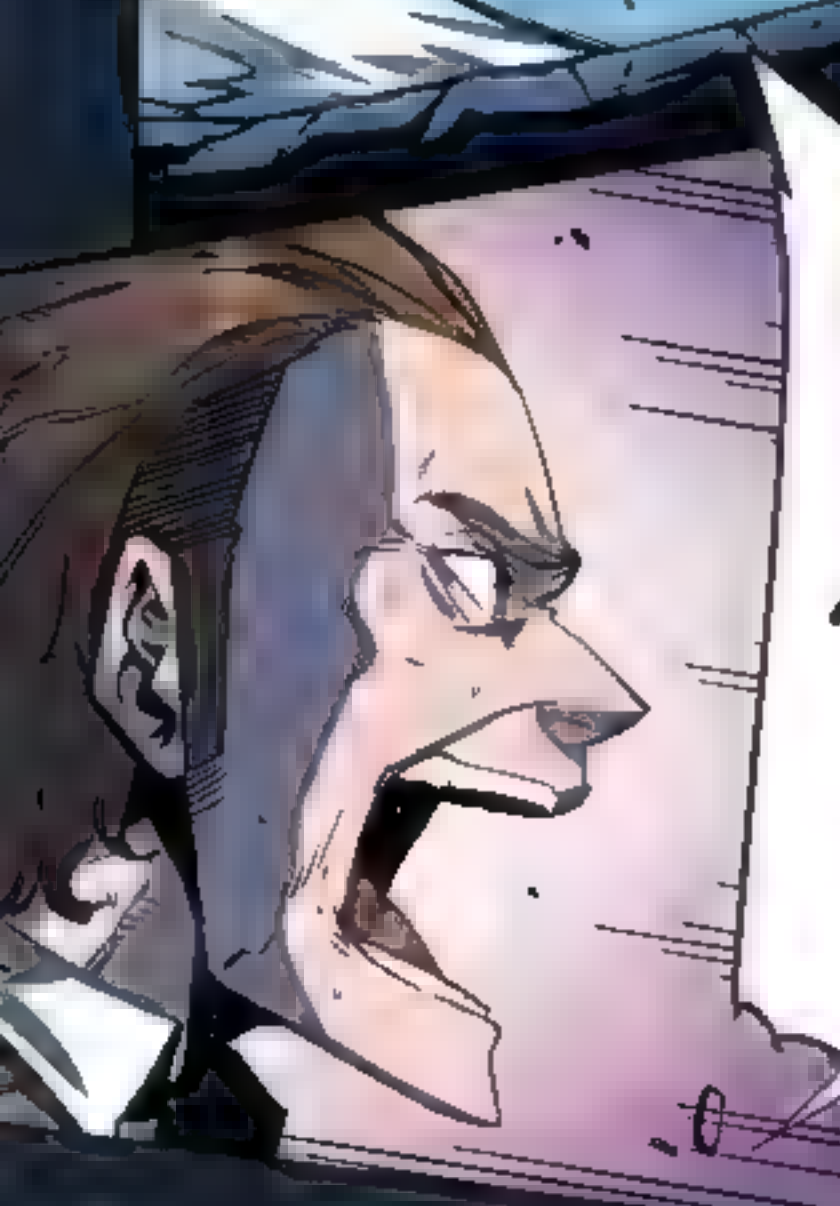


**I'LL GET
THROUGH THOSE
DOORS IN A
FLASH!**



CRACK CRACK

**I'M ESPECIALLY
QUICK AS FAR
AS COMBAT
HUNTERS GO.**

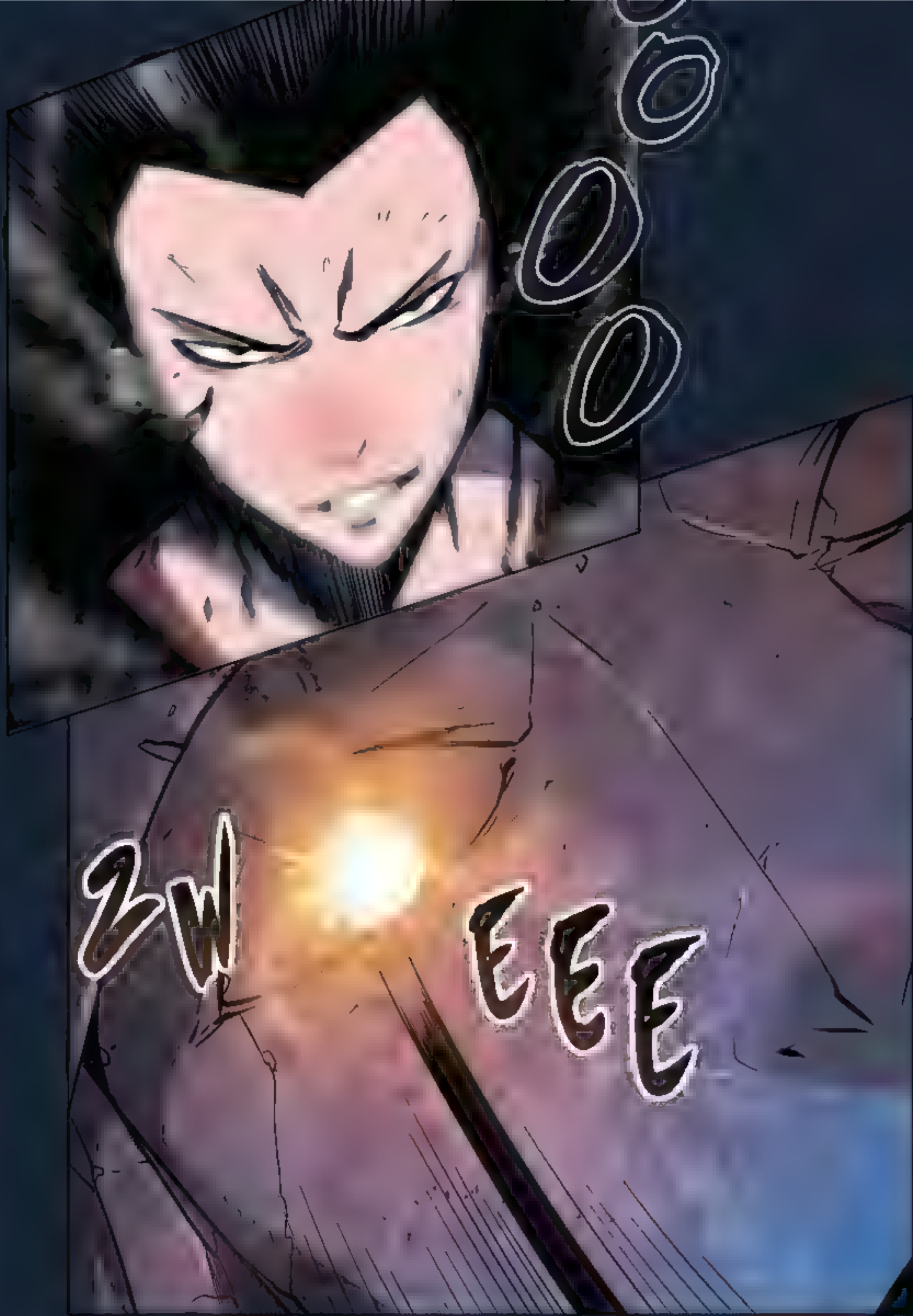


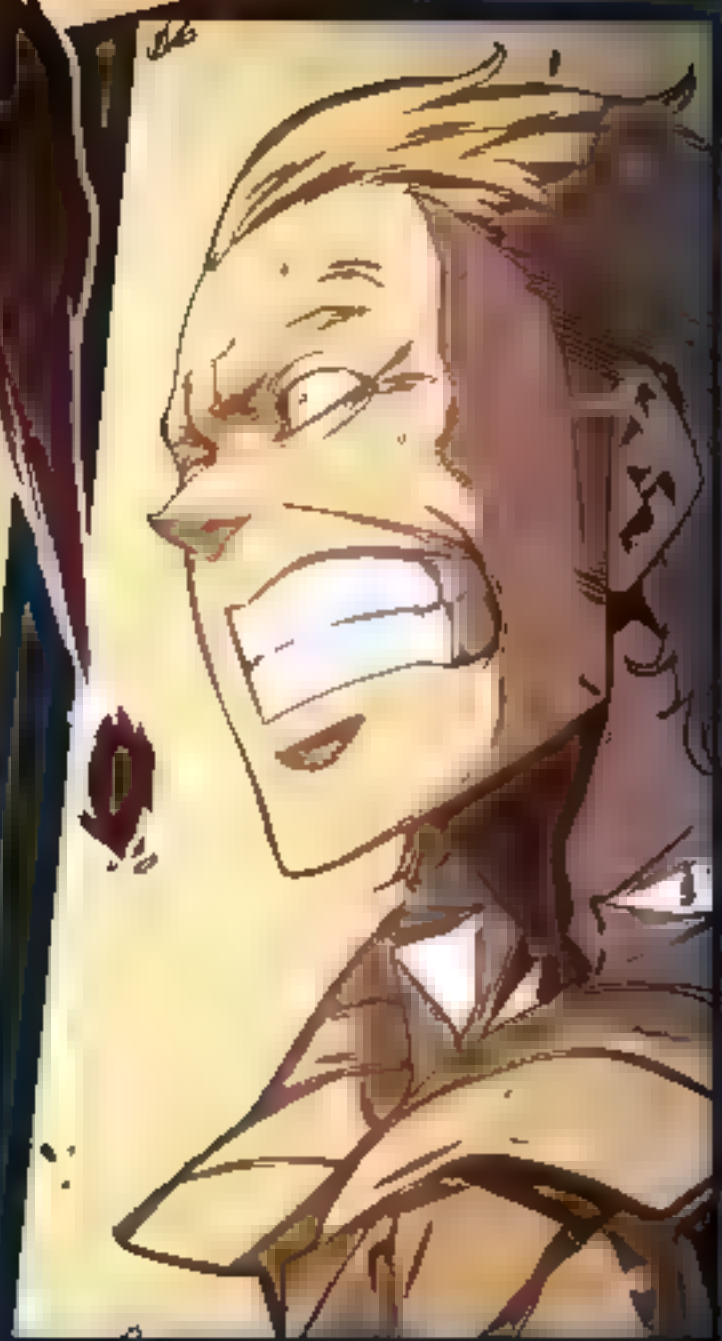
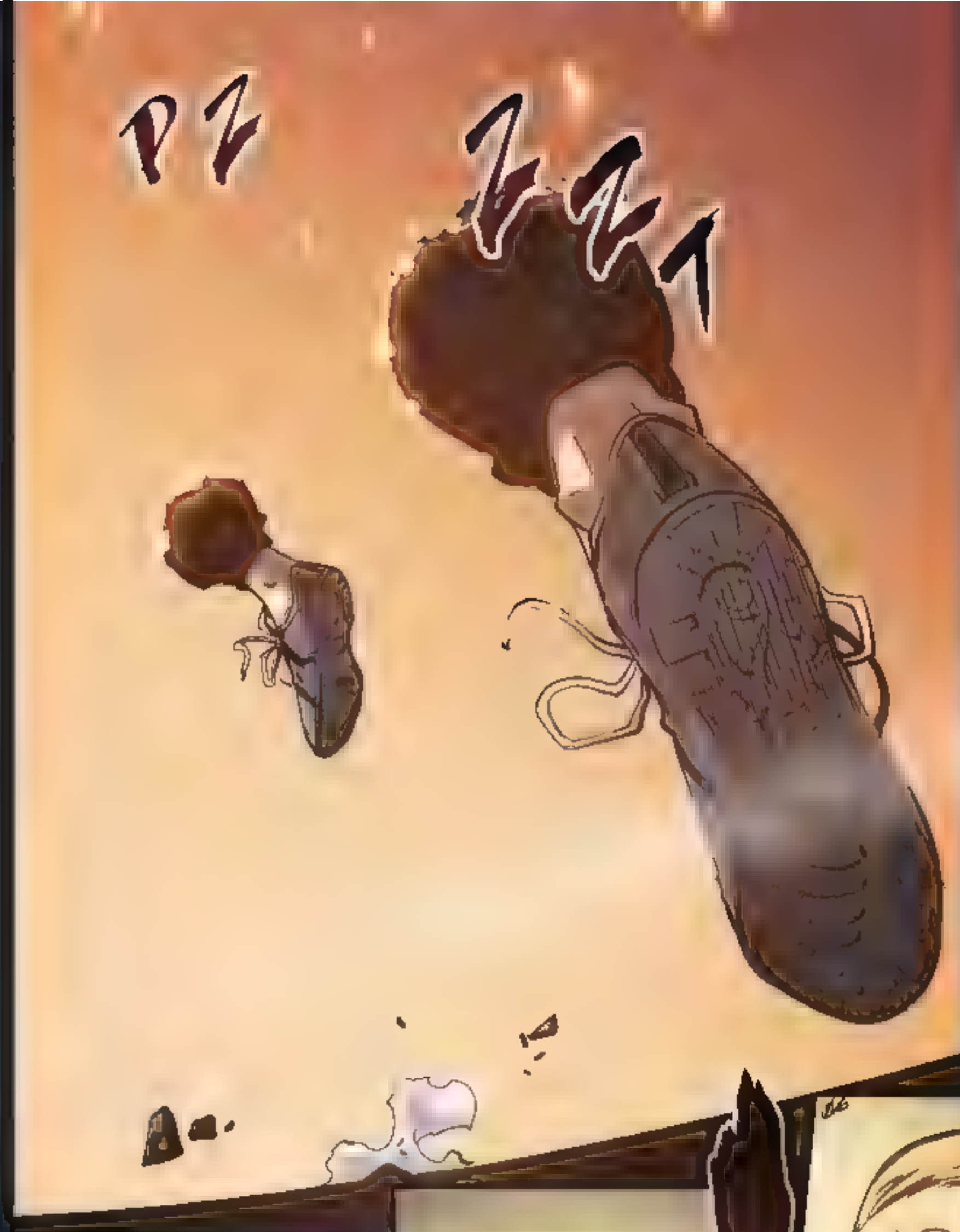
**WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?!
DON'T
MOVE!**

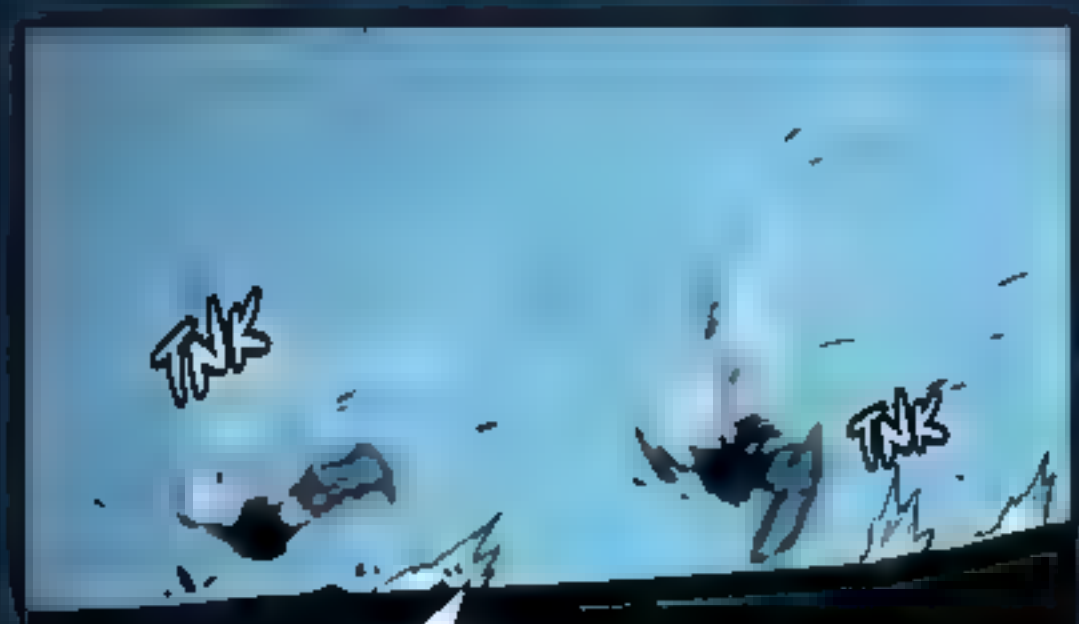
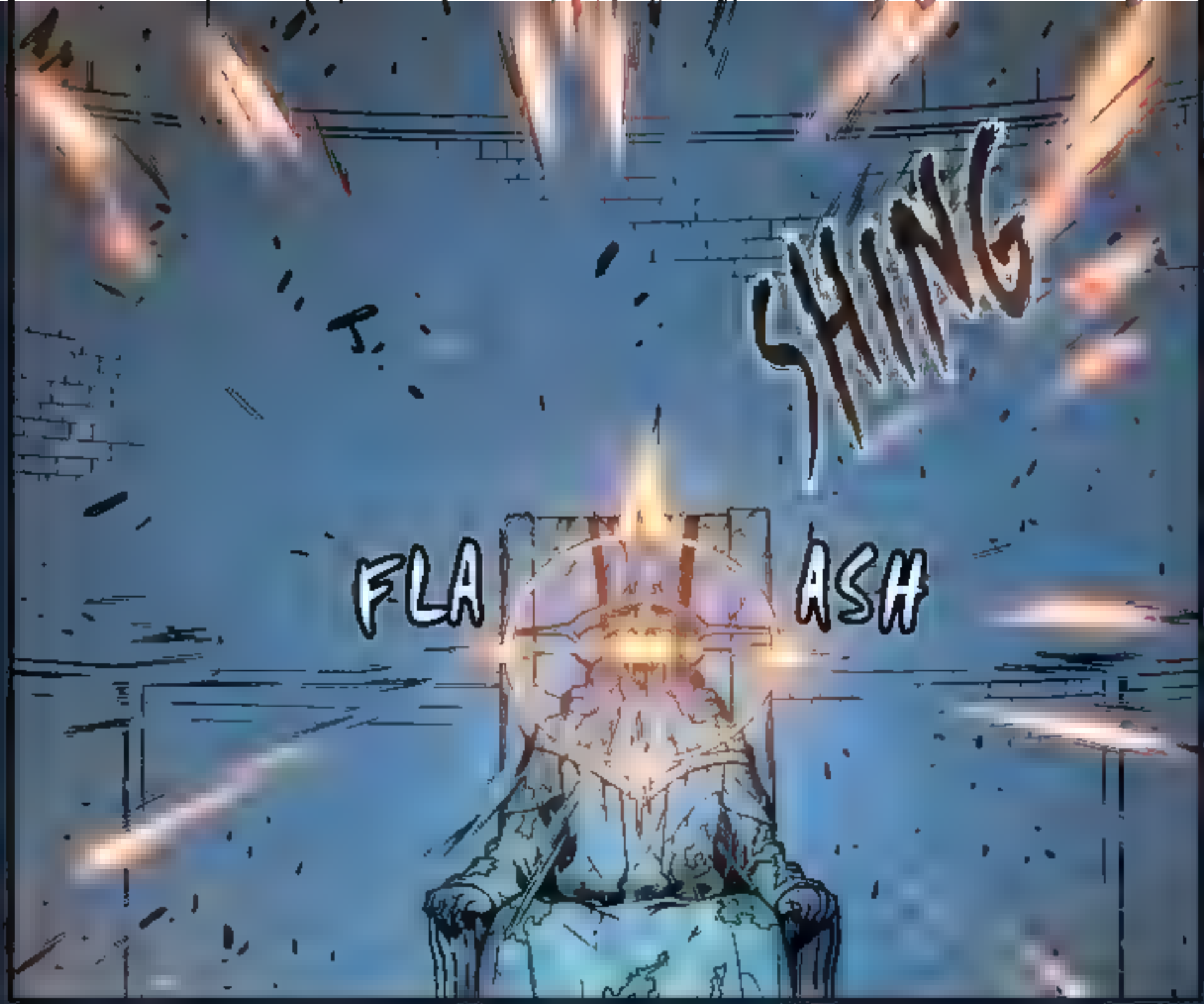


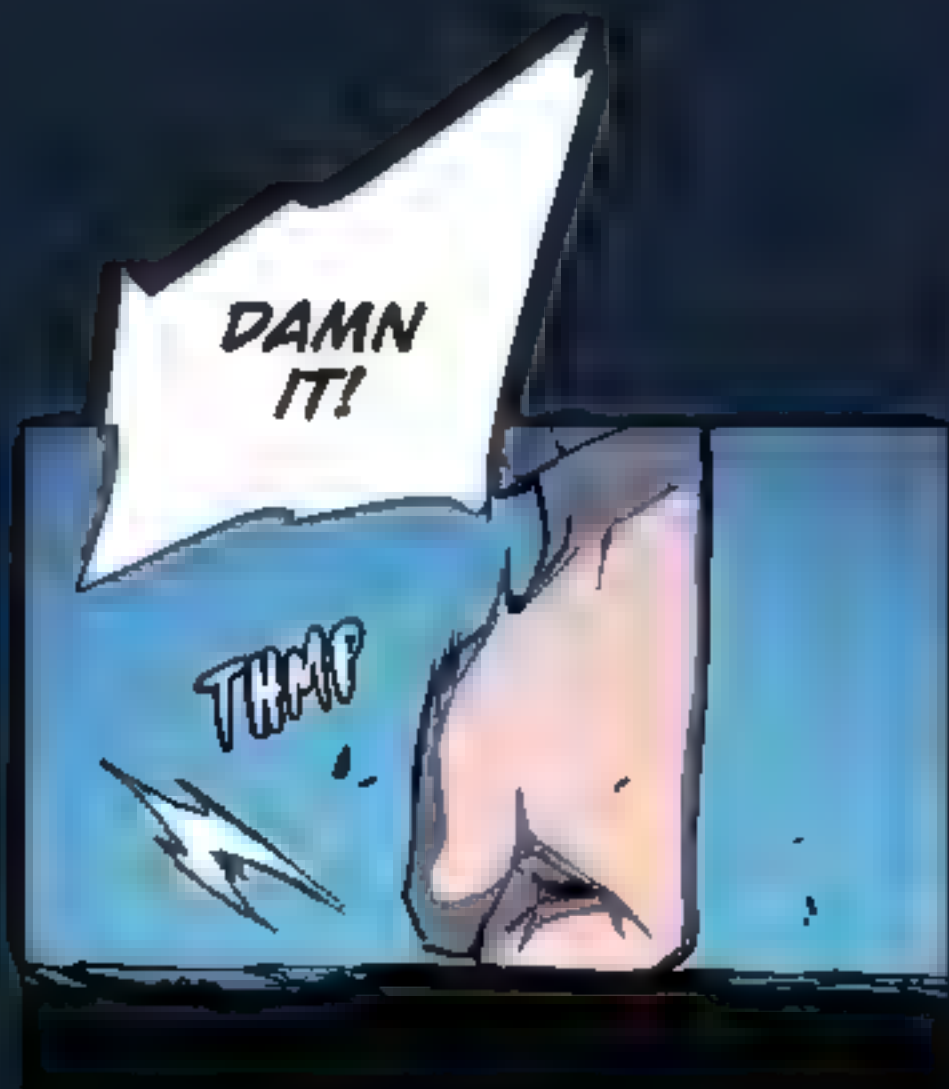
BOOM!







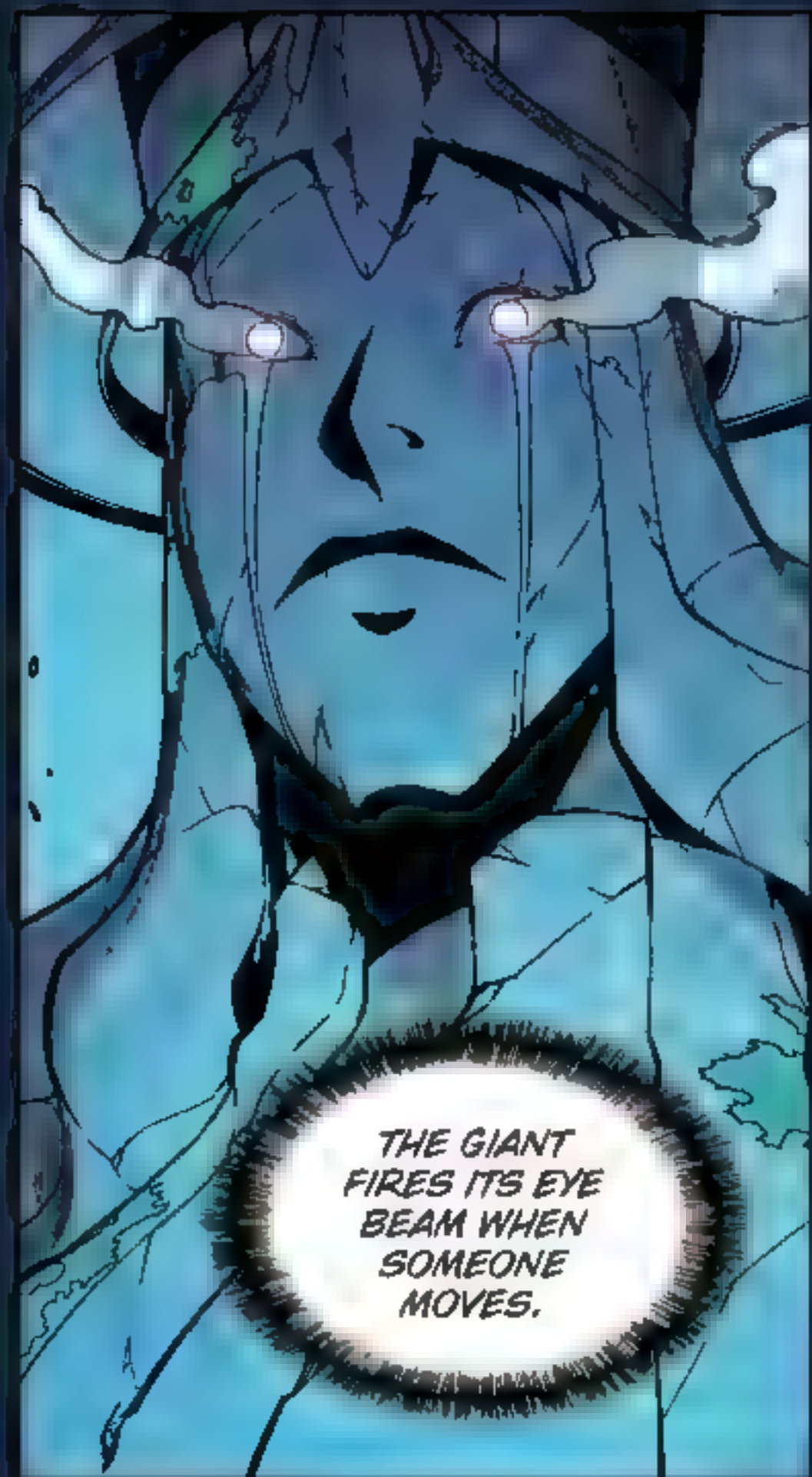
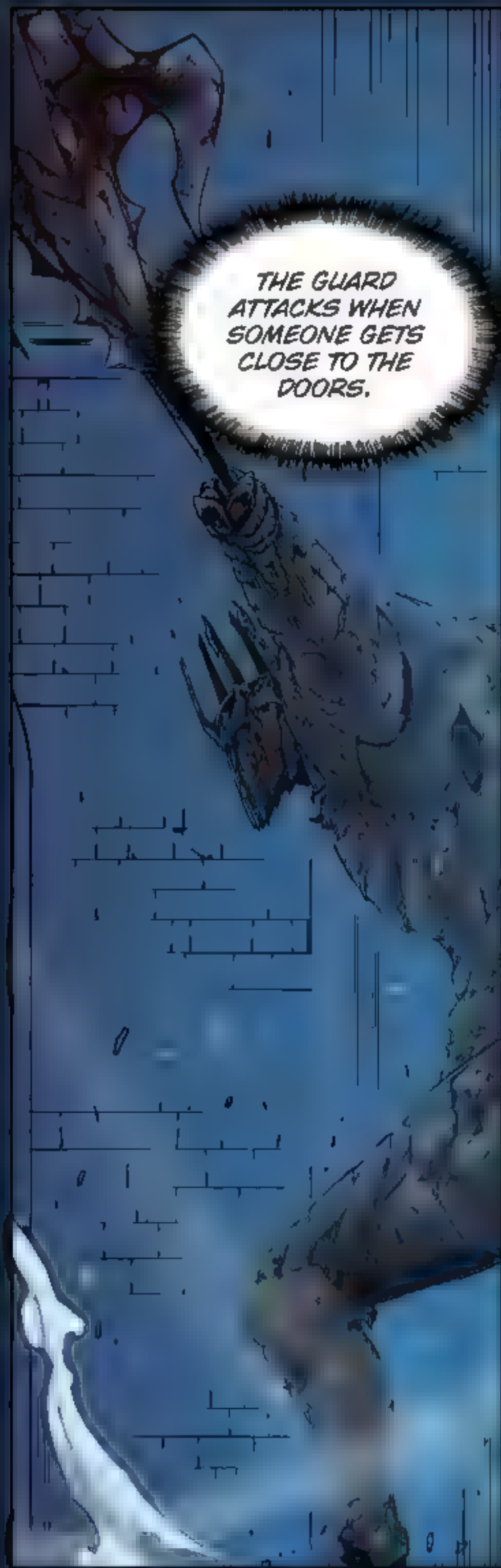






THEY
COULD KILL
US, BUT THEY
AREN'T.

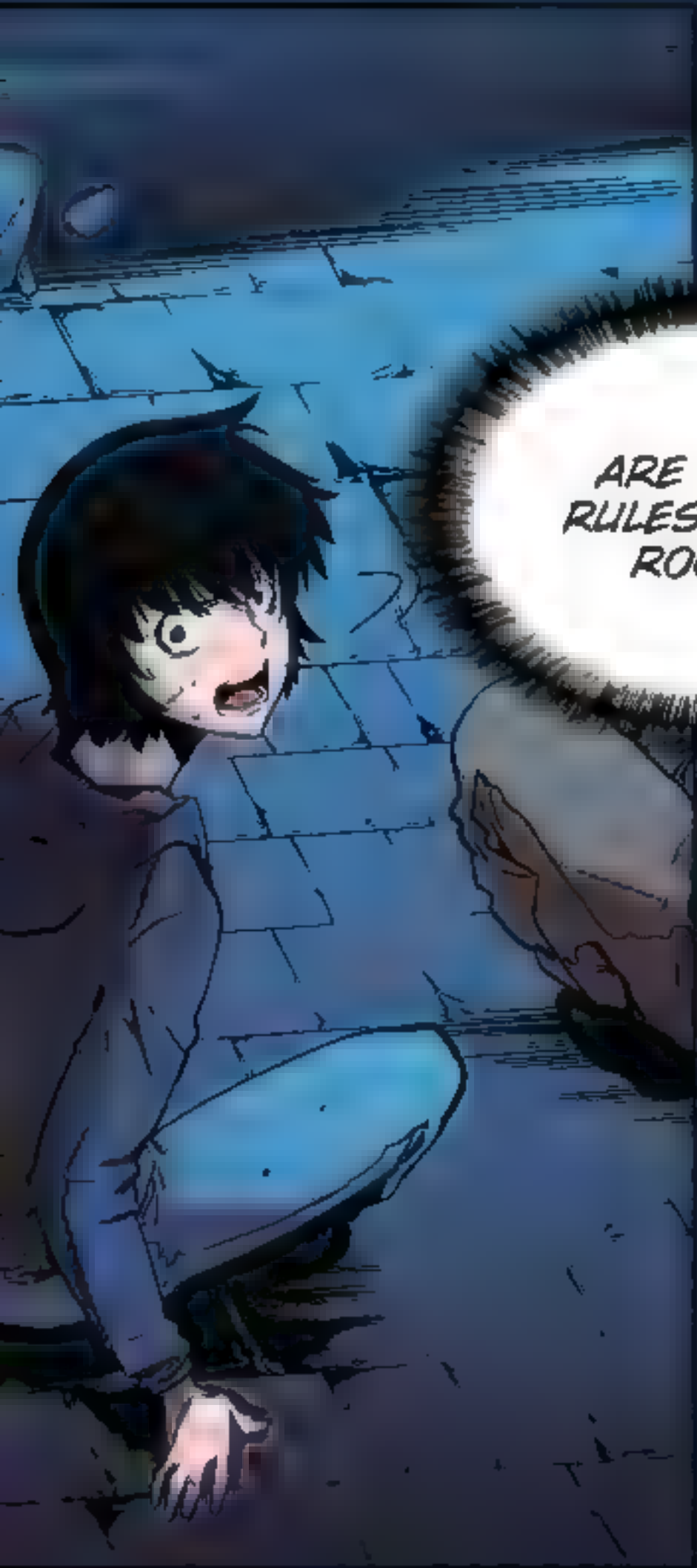
MAGIC
BEASTS USUALLY
ATTACK HUNTERS
AS SOON AS THEY
SEE THEM. BUT
THESE ONES ARE
DIFFERENT.



A close-up of a character's eye, which is wide open and looking upwards. The eye is blue with a black pupil and a white sclera. The character has dark hair and is wearing a light-colored shirt. The background is dark and blurry.

RULES?

*IT CAN'T
BE...*

A character with dark hair and a light-colored shirt is crouching on a tiled floor. They are looking up with a wide-eyed, open-mouthed expression. The background is dark and blurry.

*ARE THERE
RULES IN THIS
ROOM?!*



THE
COMMANDMENTS
OF THE CARTENON
TEMPLE!

תַּמְשִׁיחַ לְאַמֶּרִיקָה

וְהָיָה כִּי יִשְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל
כִּי יִשְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל
כִּי יִשְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל
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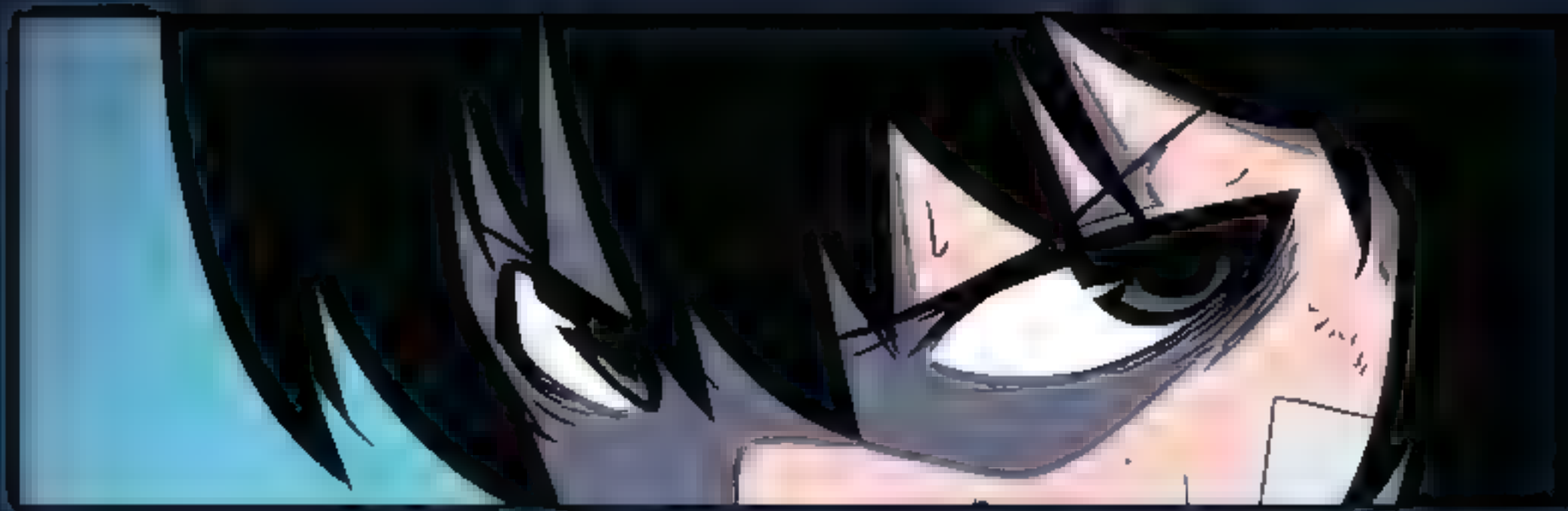
YES!
THAT'S IT!!

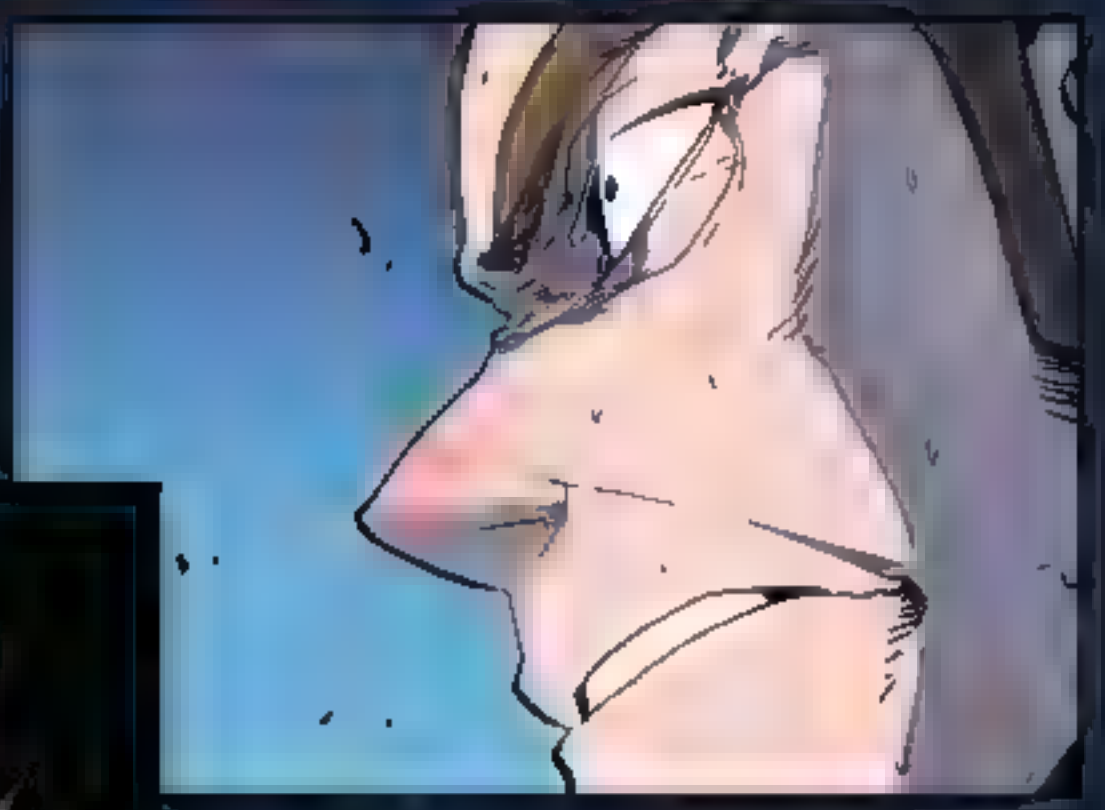
IT WAS...

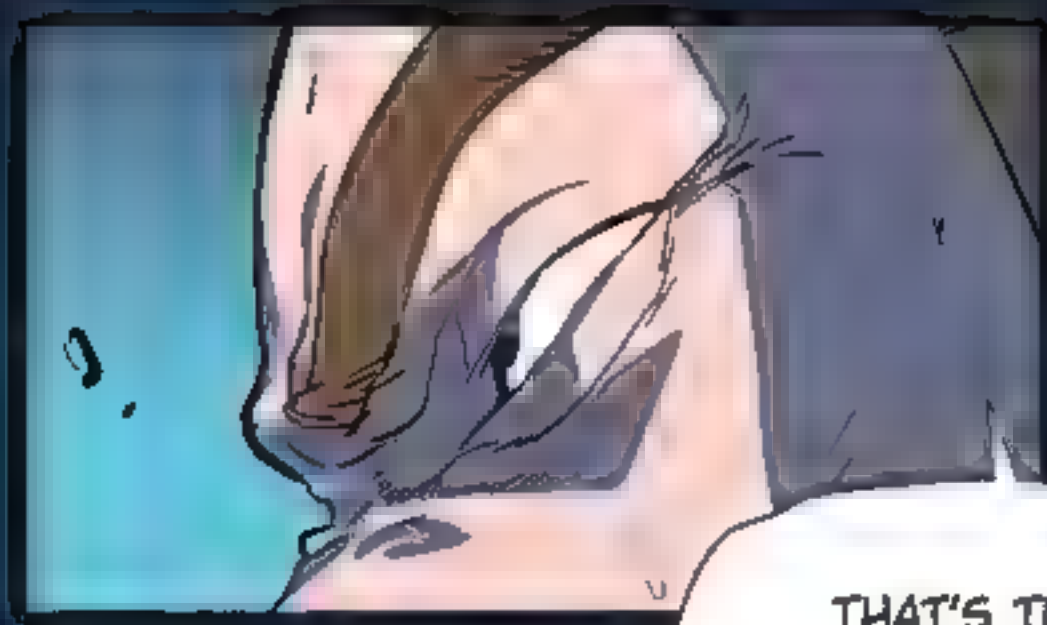
MR. SONG! WHAT
WAS THE FIRST
COMMANDMENT?

COMMAND-
MENT?

..."THOU
SHALL
WORSHIP
GOD"?







THAT'S THE
LOOK OF A
FIGHTER.

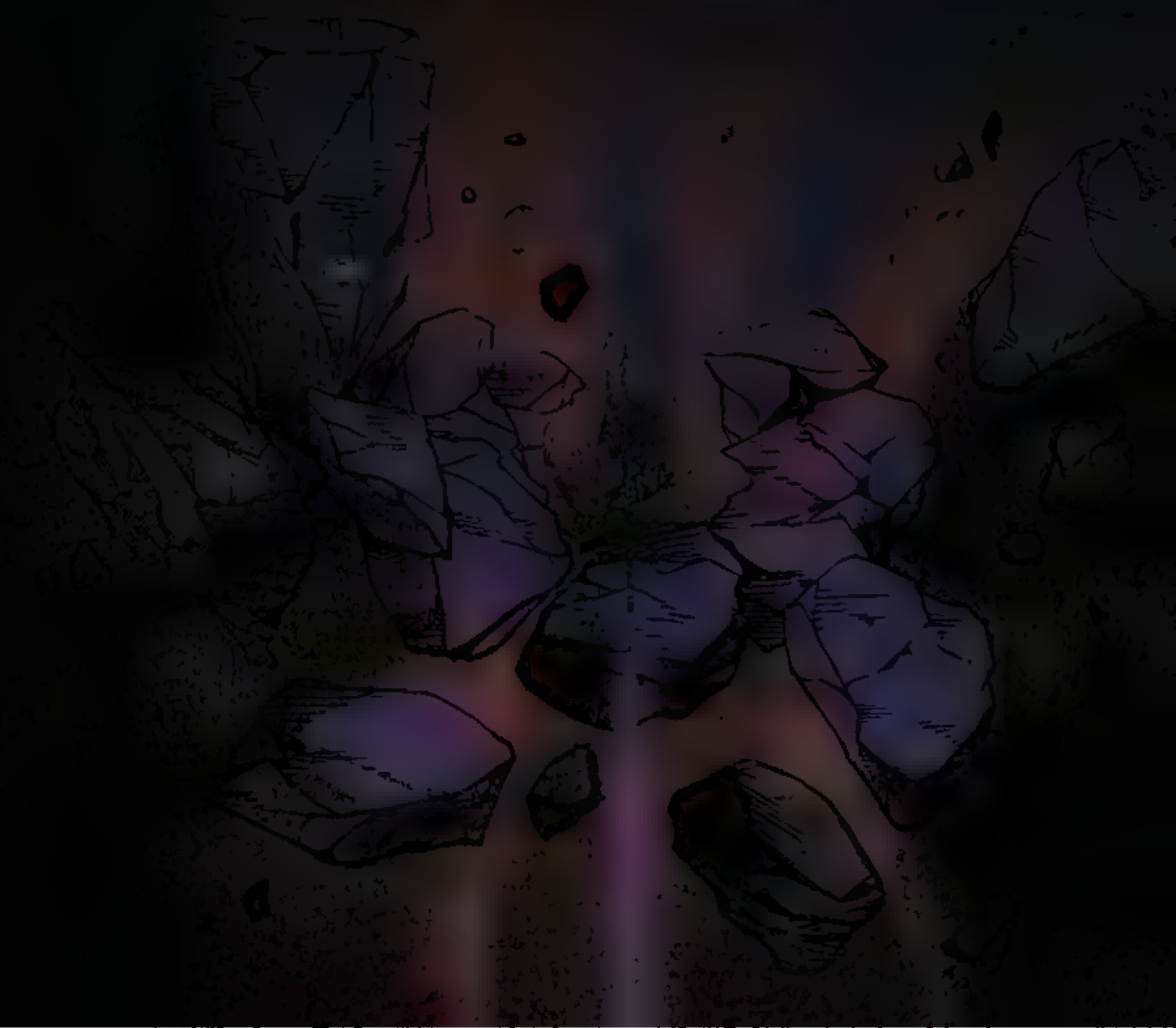
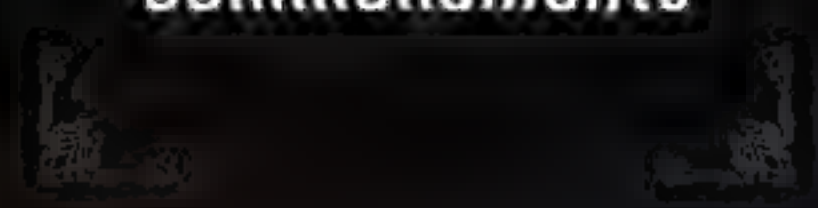


...THAT STATUE ISN'T
ATTACKING ANYTHING
THAT MOVES!



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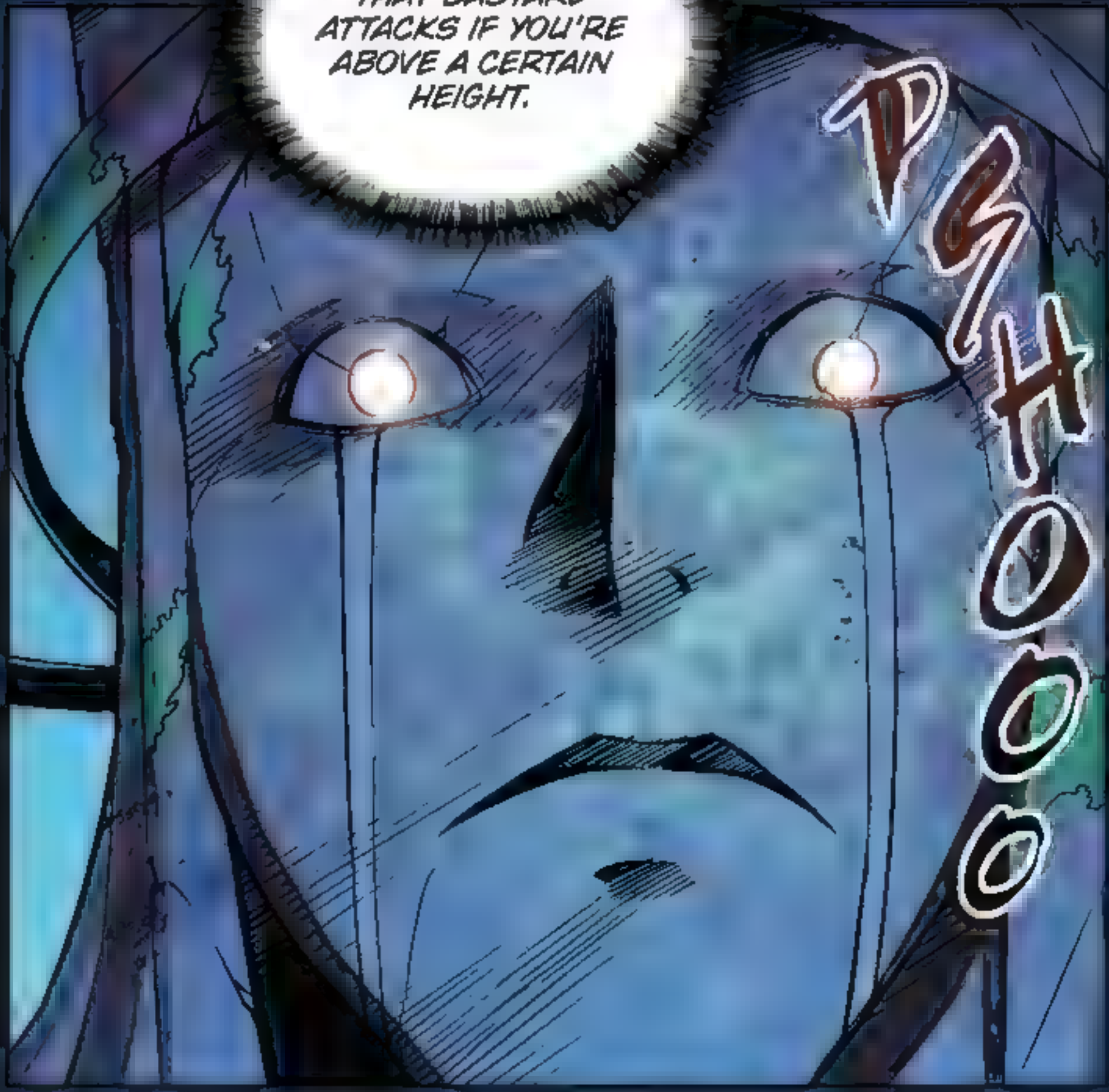
Three Commandments



Solo
Leveling







THAT BASTARD
ATTACKS IF YOU'RE
ABOVE A CERTAIN
HEIGHT.



I'VE GOT IT!
I UNDERSTAND
THE FIRST
COMMANDMENT!

**EVERYONE!
SUBMIT TO THE
GIANT!**



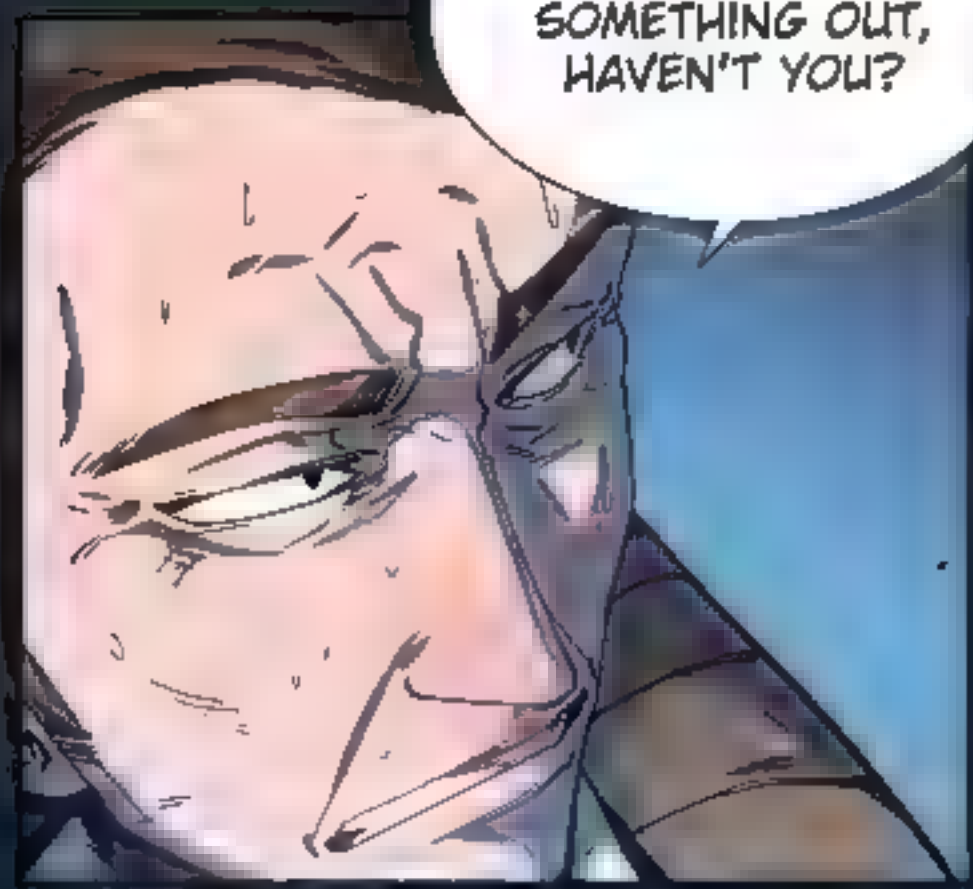
**HAVE YOU
LOST YOUR MIND,
JINWOO SUNG?!**



**WHAT THE
HELL?!**

WHAT?

**YOU'VE FIGURED
SOMETHING OUT,
HAVEN'T YOU?**



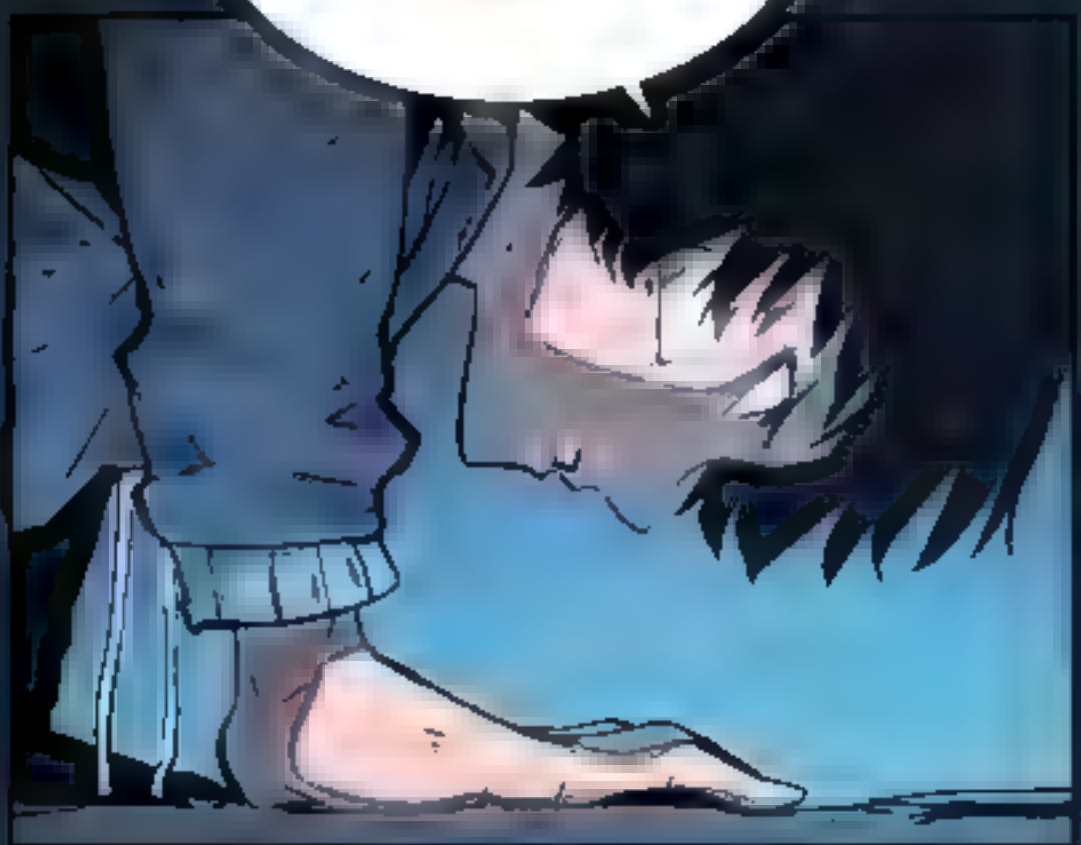
YES.



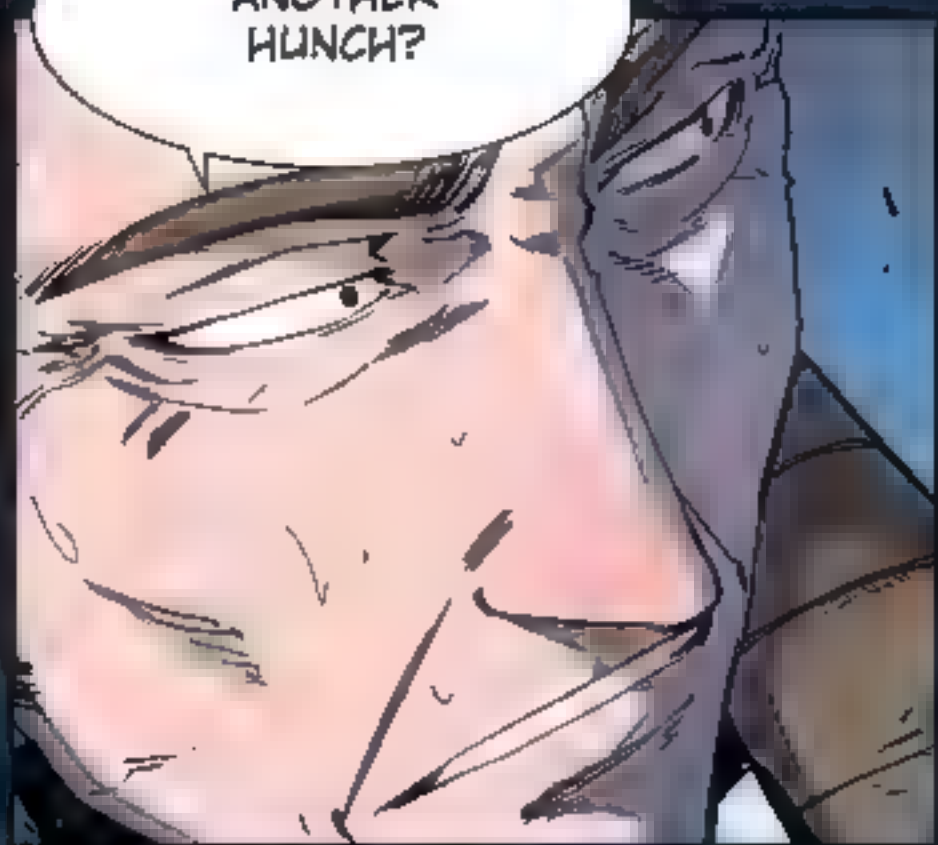


IT ONLY SHOOTS
IF WE RAISE OUR
BODIES ABOVE A
CERTAIN HEIGHT.

THEN, IF WE ACT
OUT "THOU SHALL
WORSHIP GOD"...



...AND WE STAY
LOW, KNEELING
IN FRONT OF THE
STATUE...

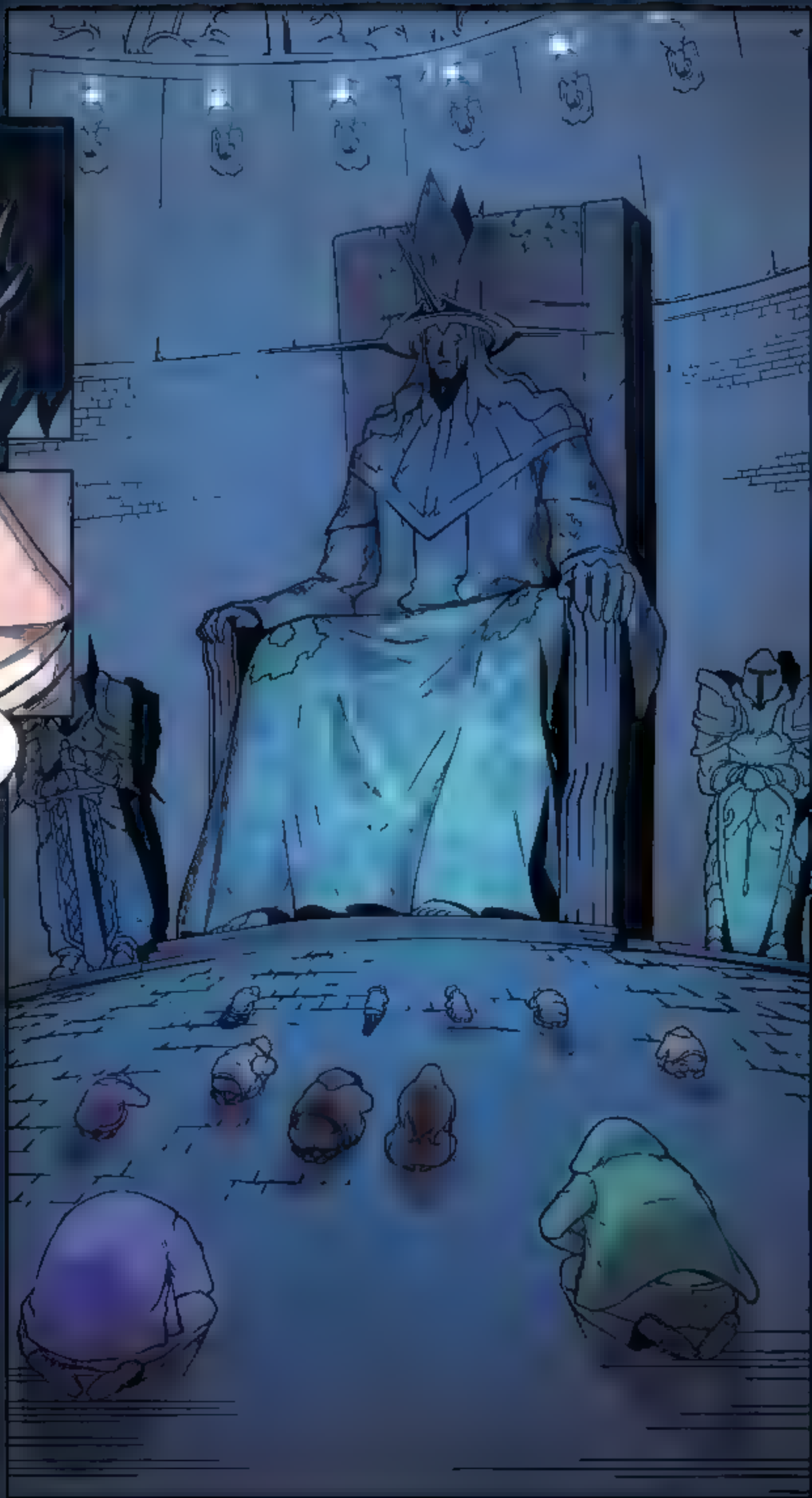


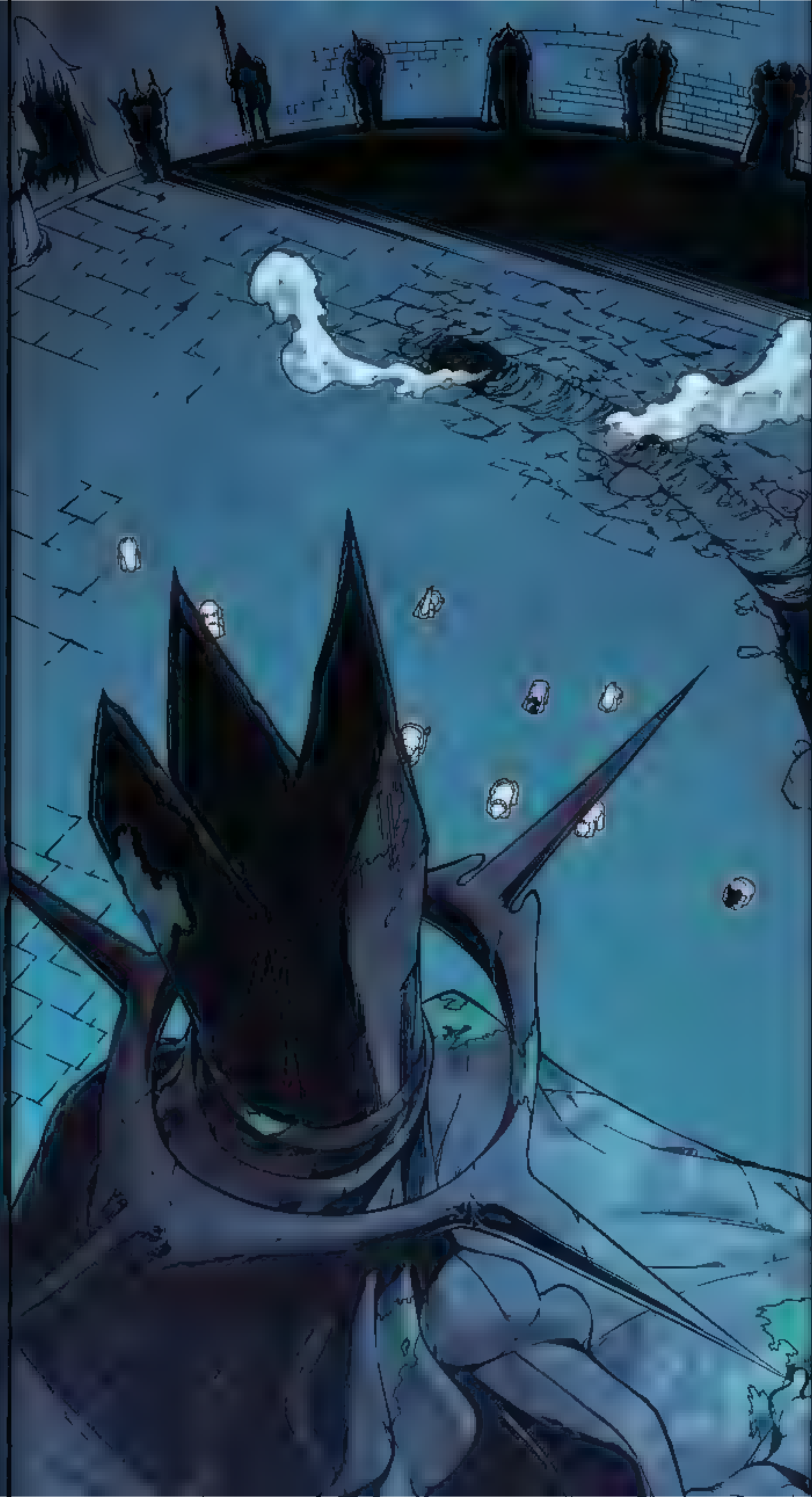
ANOTHER
HUNCH?

...YES.
FOR NOW.

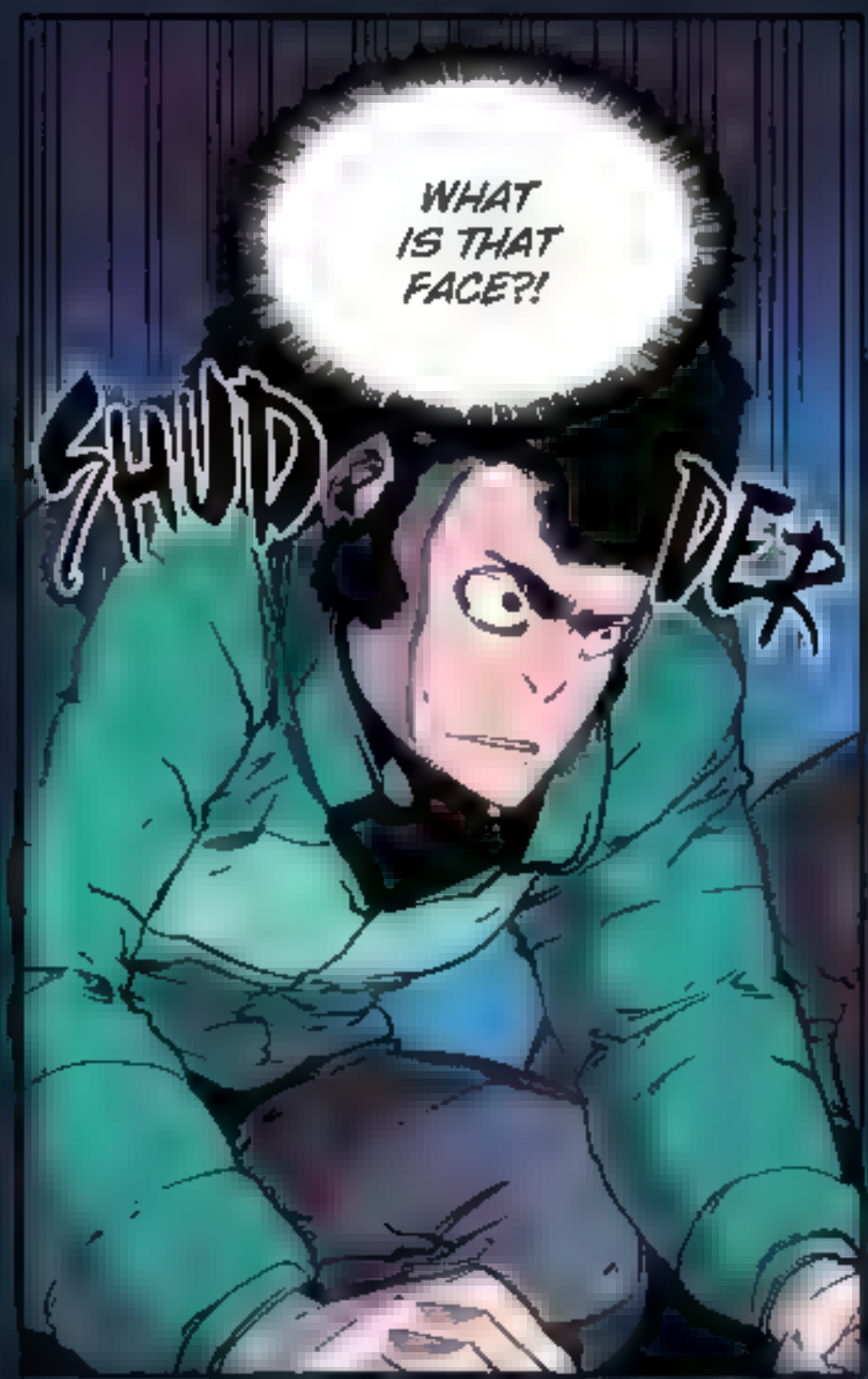


WE HAVE
NO BETTER
OPTION.









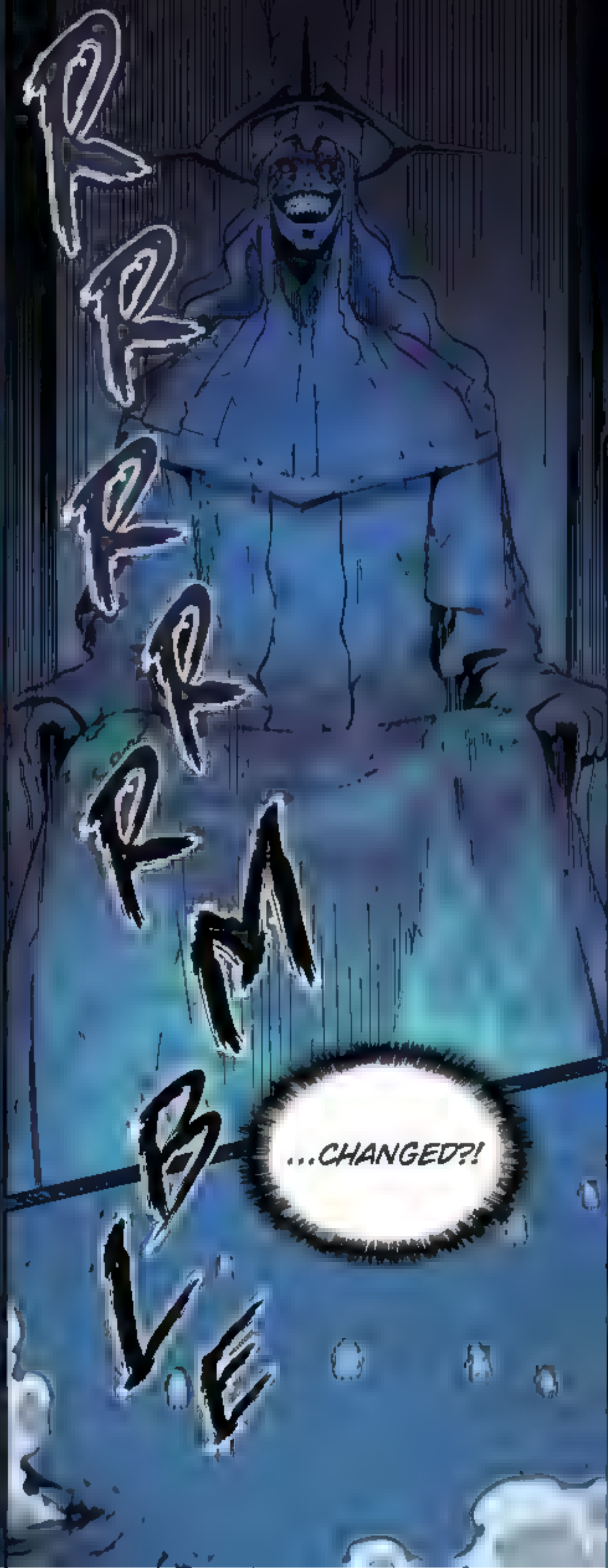
WHAT
IS THAT
FACE?!

SHUD

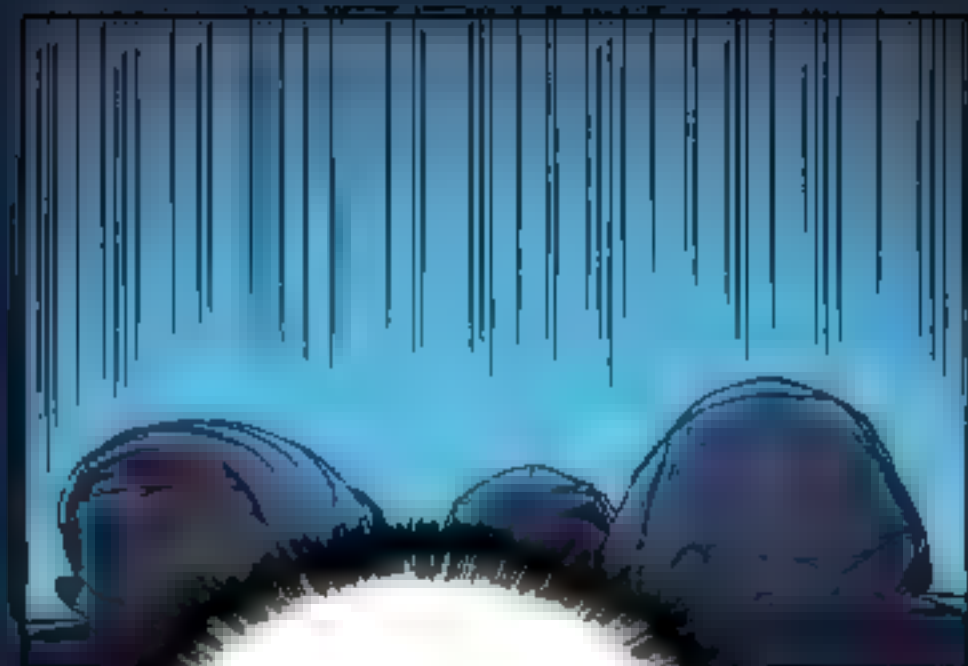
DER



THE GIANT'S
FACE...



...CHANGED?!

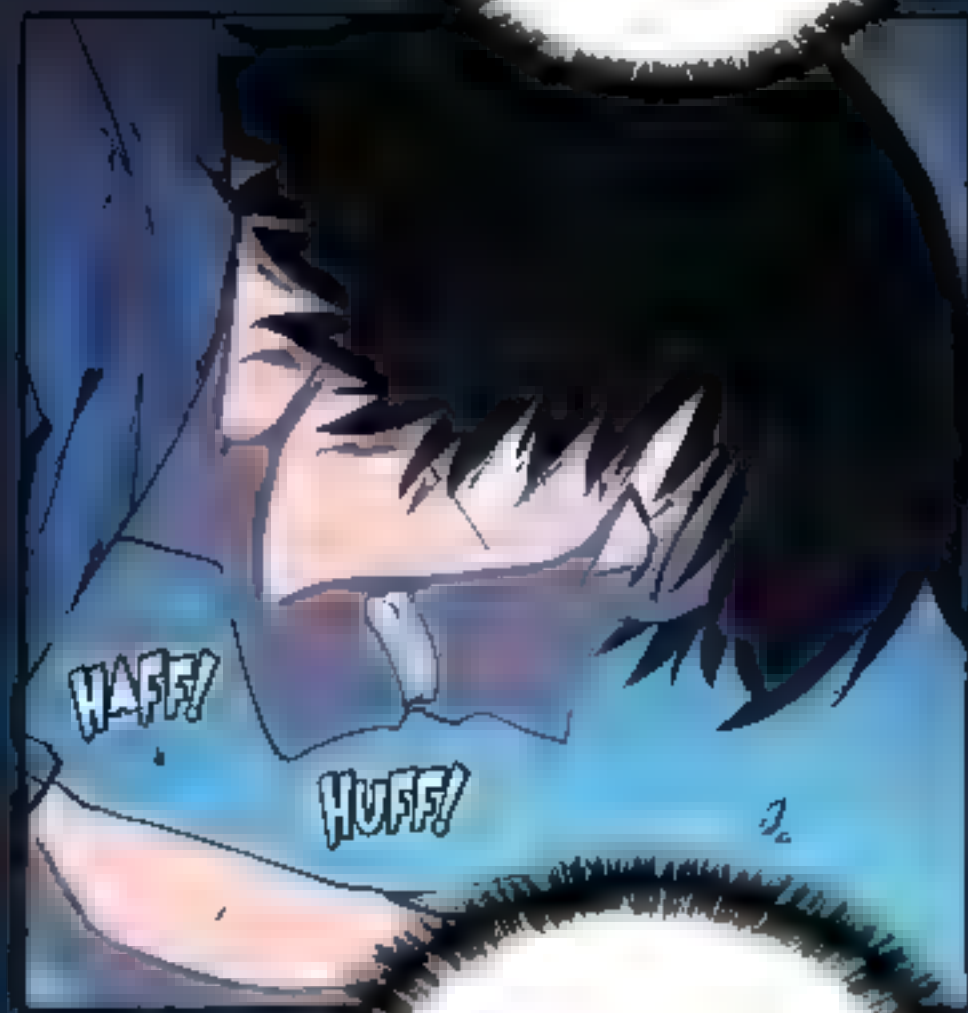


HOW MANY
WERE KILLED IN THE
LAST ATTACK?



HOW MANY
SURVIVED?

HOW LONG...



...DO WE
HAVE TO STAY
LIKE THIS?



...IT STOPPED
ATTACKING?

NO...



IS IT PLANNING
SOMETHING ELSE?

IS THIS REALLY
WORKING?



UH, HEY!
IF YOU JUST
STAND UP...

LOOK!

IT'S NOT
ATTACKING!

IT'S TRUE!

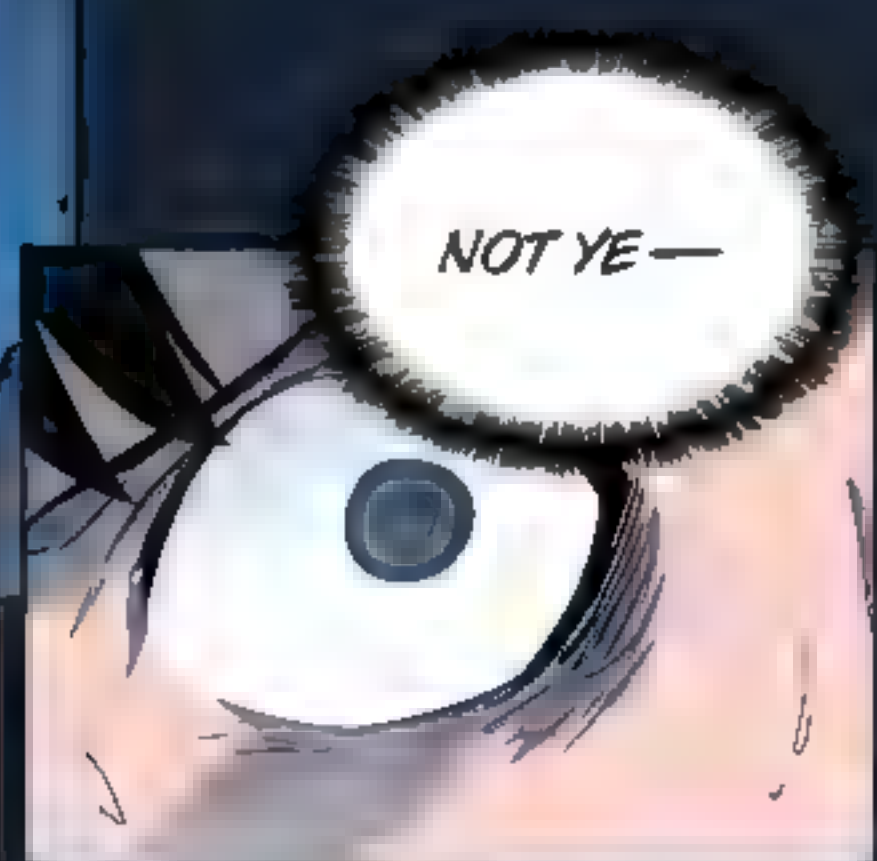
IT'S
NOT DOING
ANYTHING!

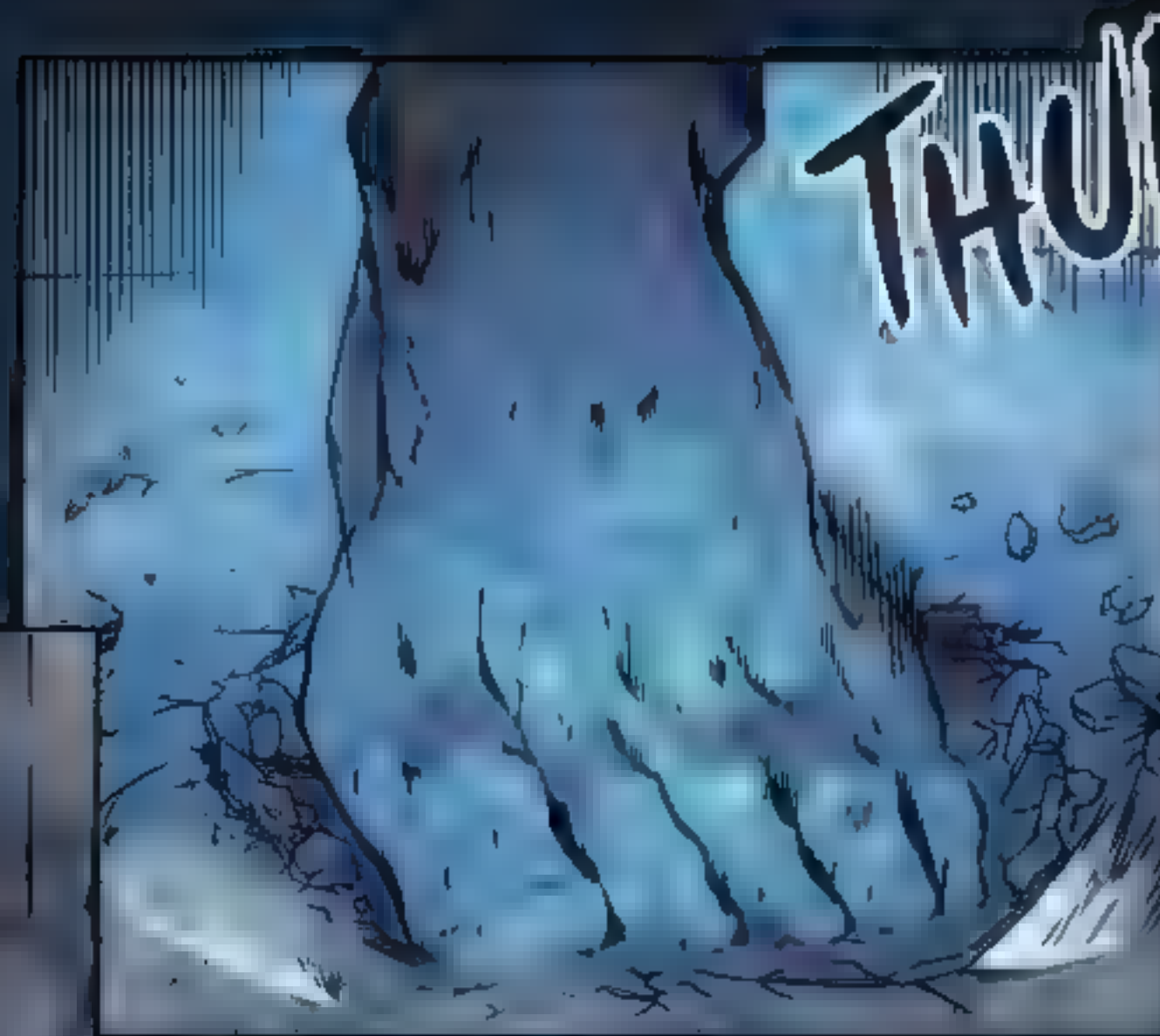
WHAT? IS
IT REALLY
OVER?

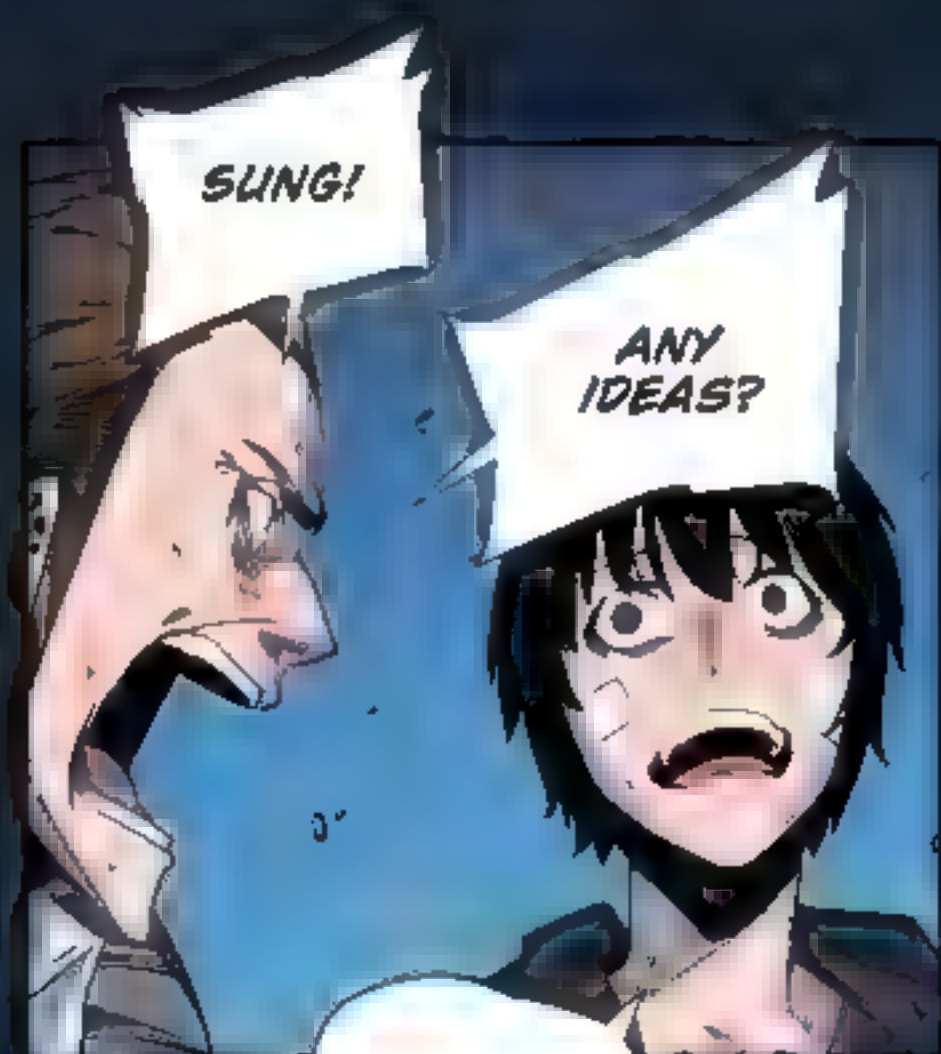
WE'RE
OKAY!

WE
SURVIVED!

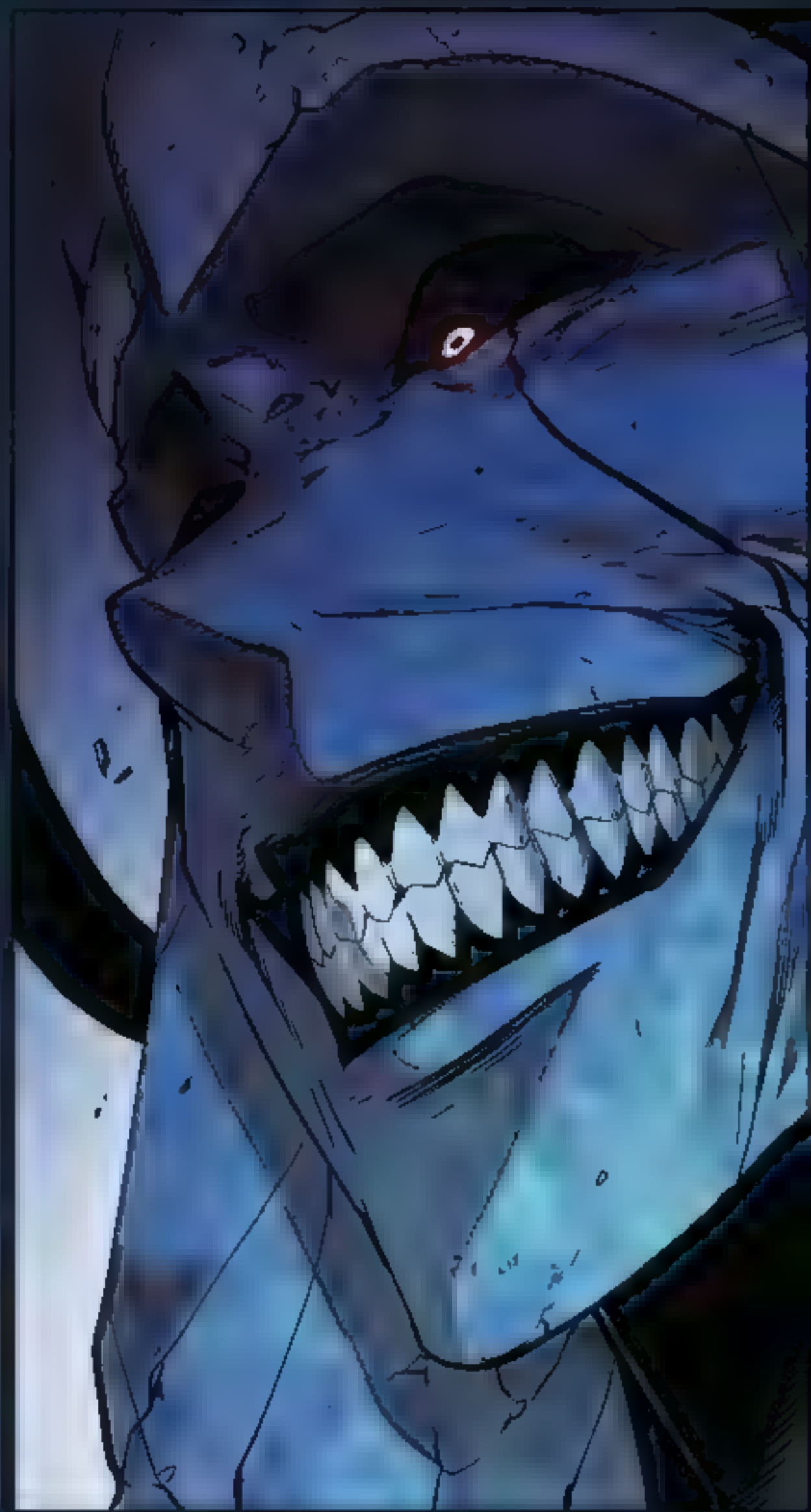
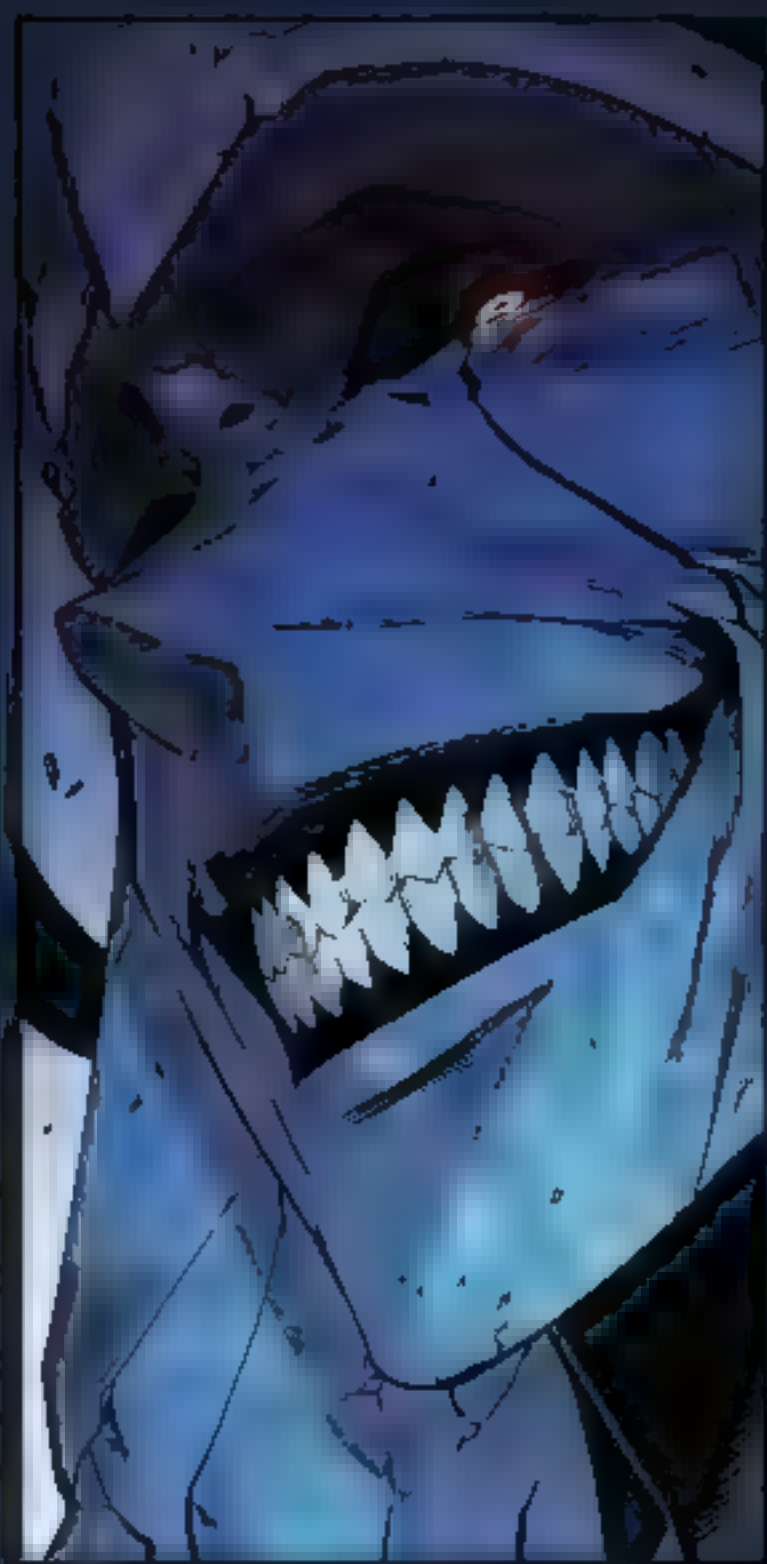
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REALLY...



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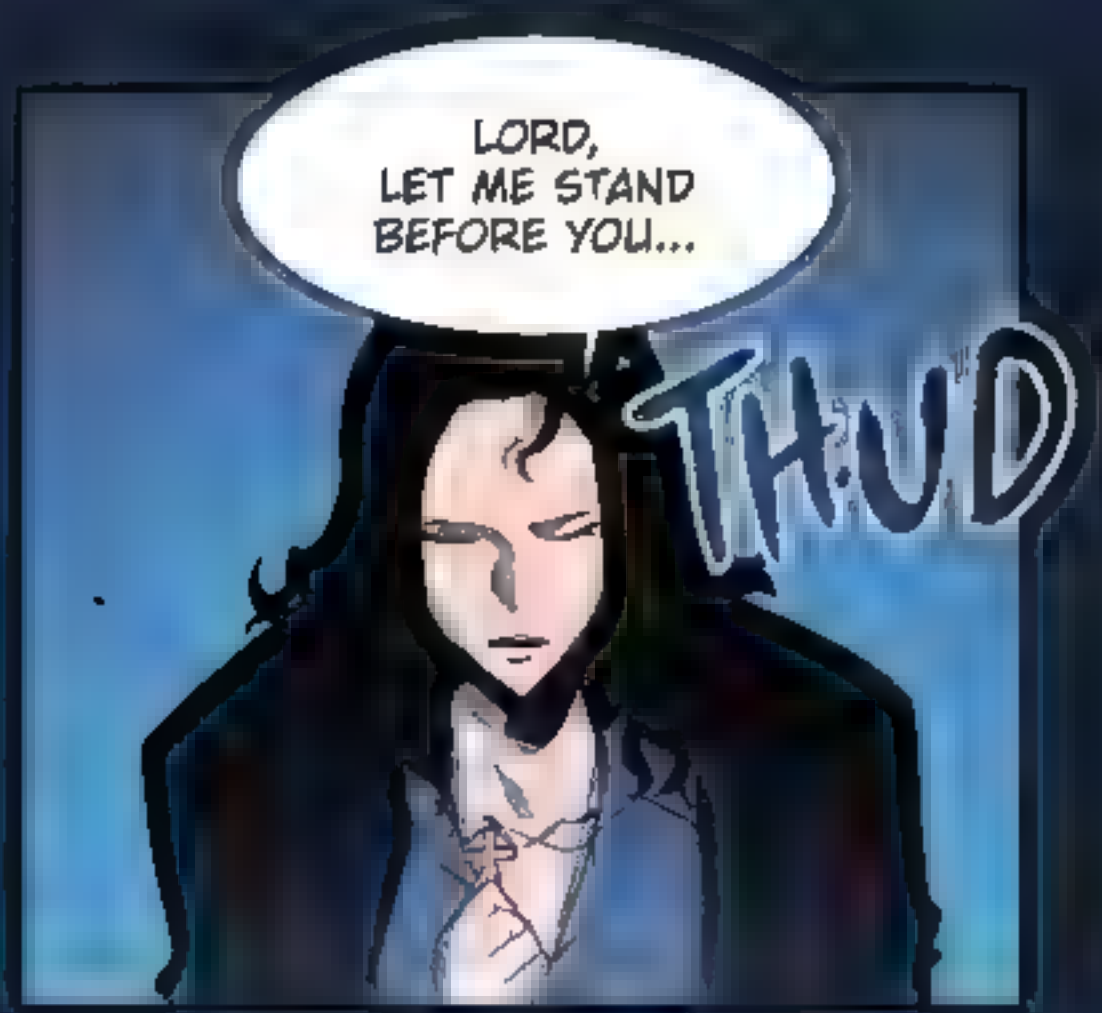
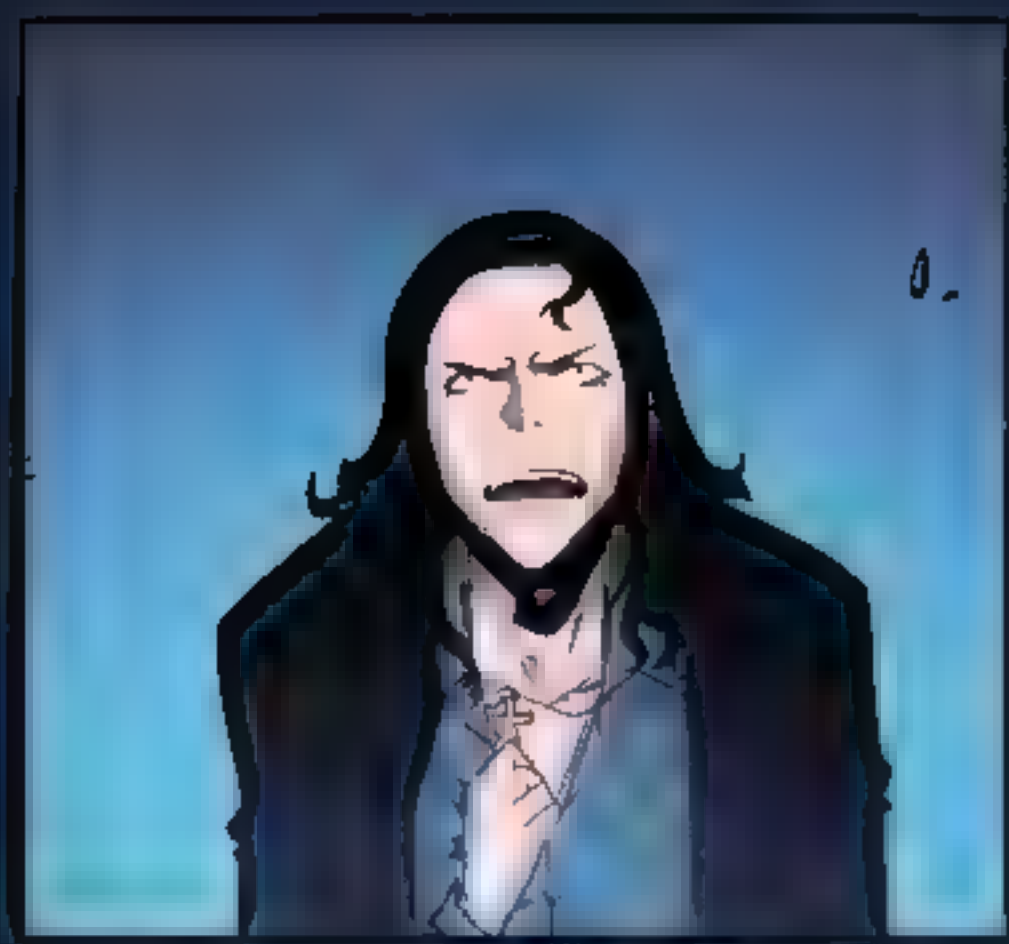
THO
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IS THERE
A WAY OUT
OF THIS?!

I DON'T
KNOW!









THOUGH UNWORTHY,
I CRAVE YOUR
JUDGMENT.

THUD

IN MY FAITH
IN YOU...

...I KNOW
I FIND MY
PURPOSE.

THUD

IN YOUR
EYES...

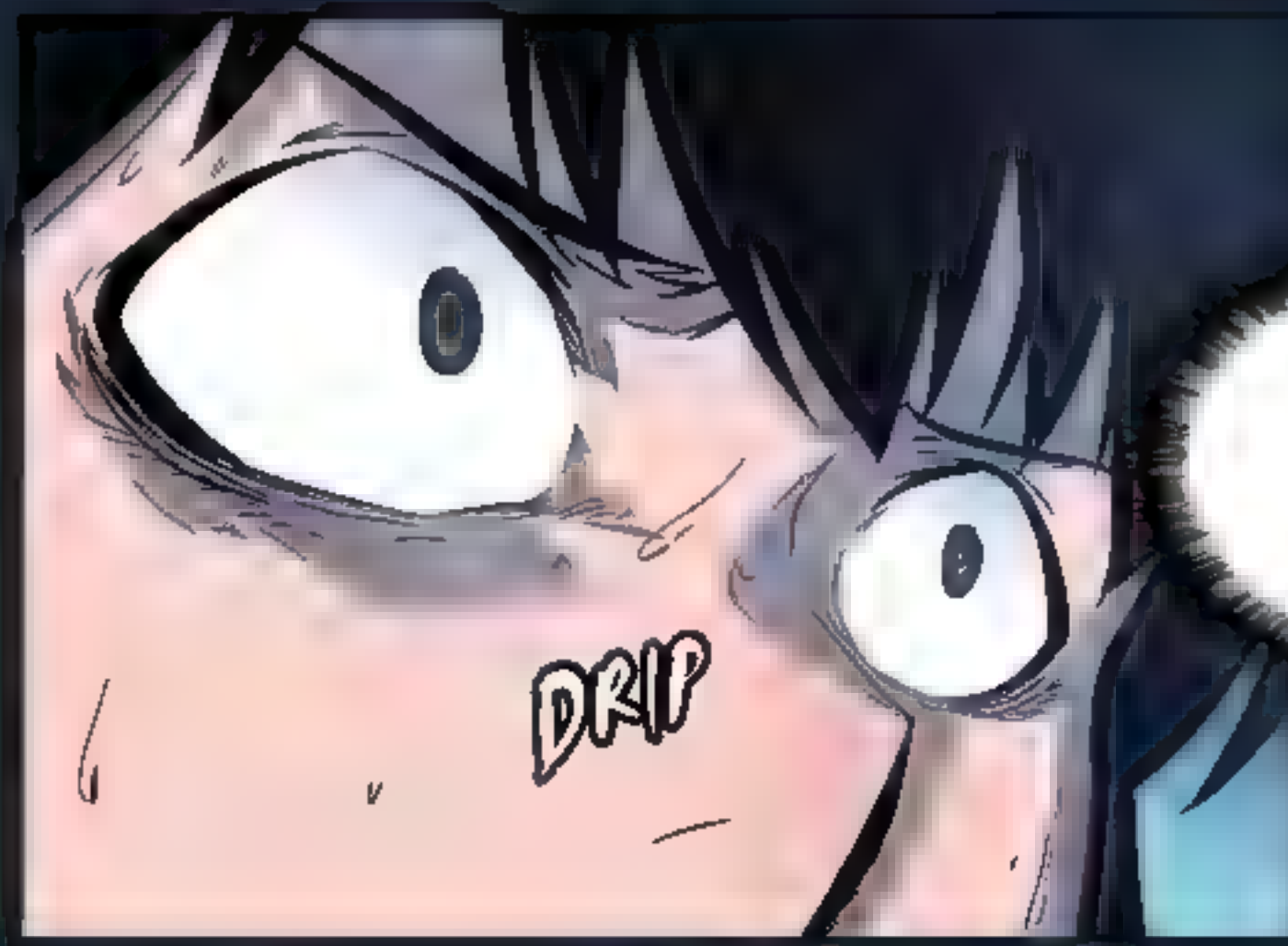


...I KNOW
I SHALL BE
REBORN.

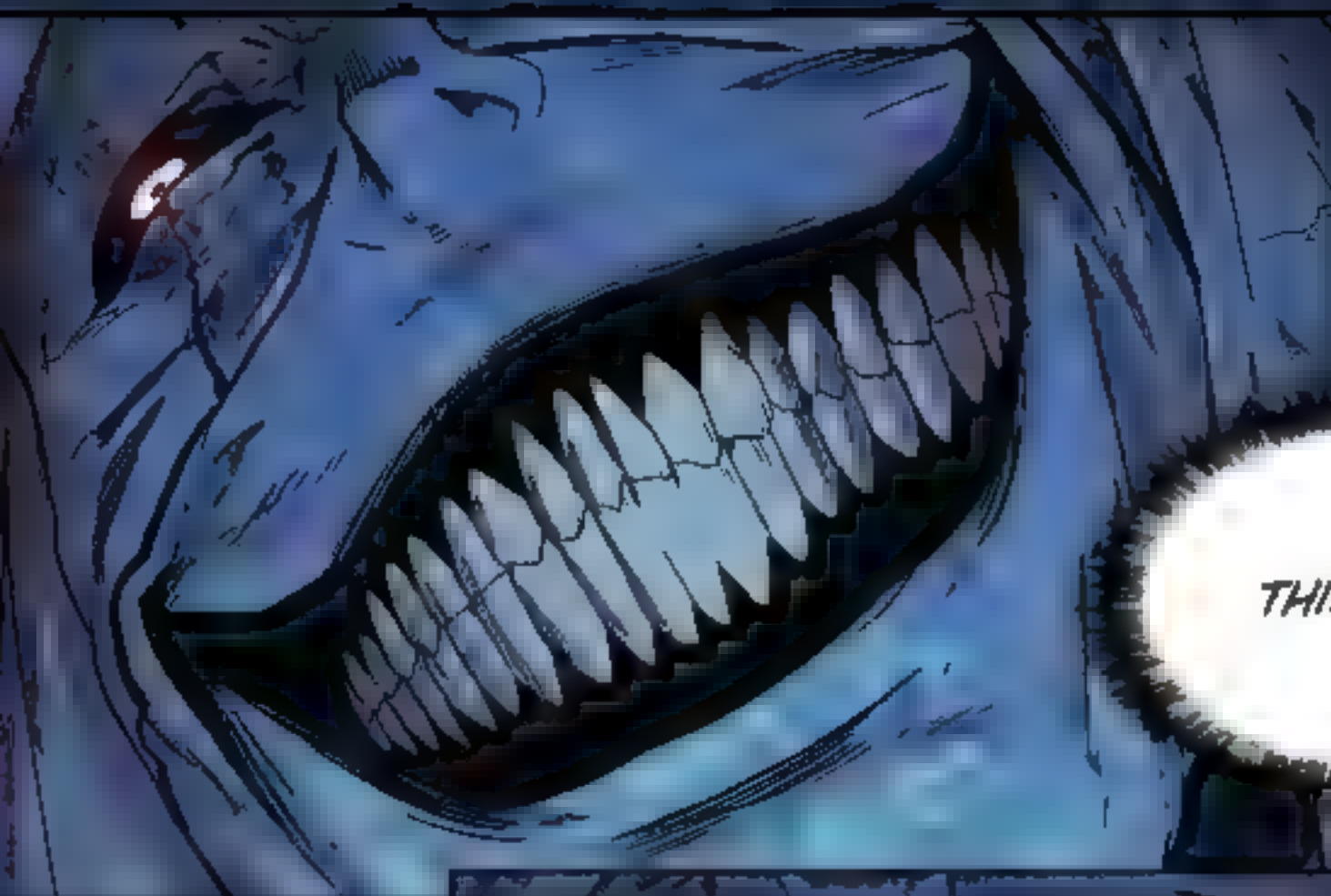
IS IT
WORKING?



THE GIANT
SEEMS
CALMER...

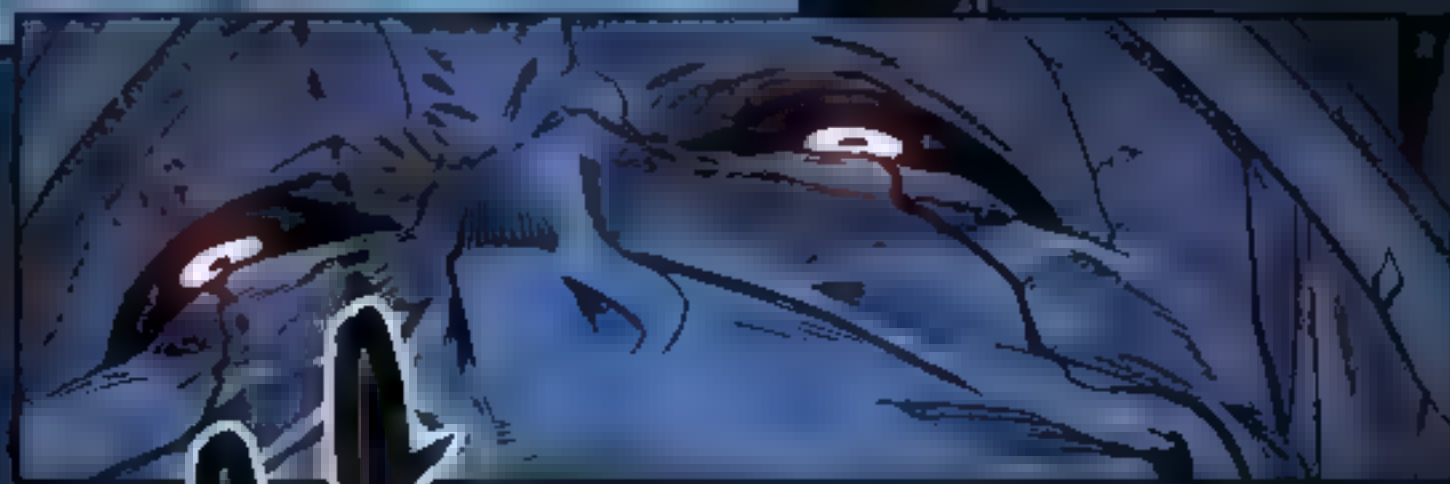


NO...!



THOUGH
UNWORTHY...

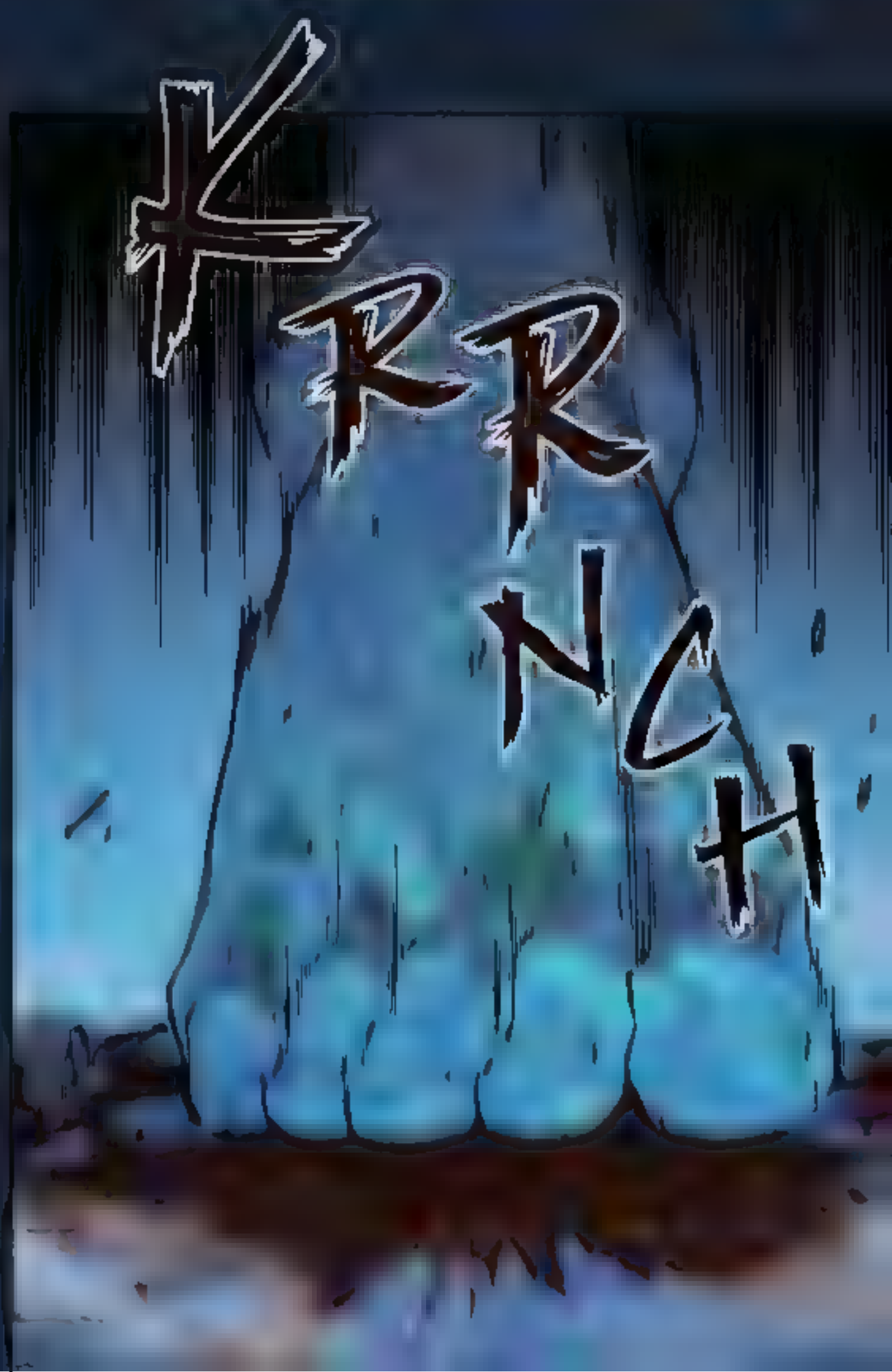
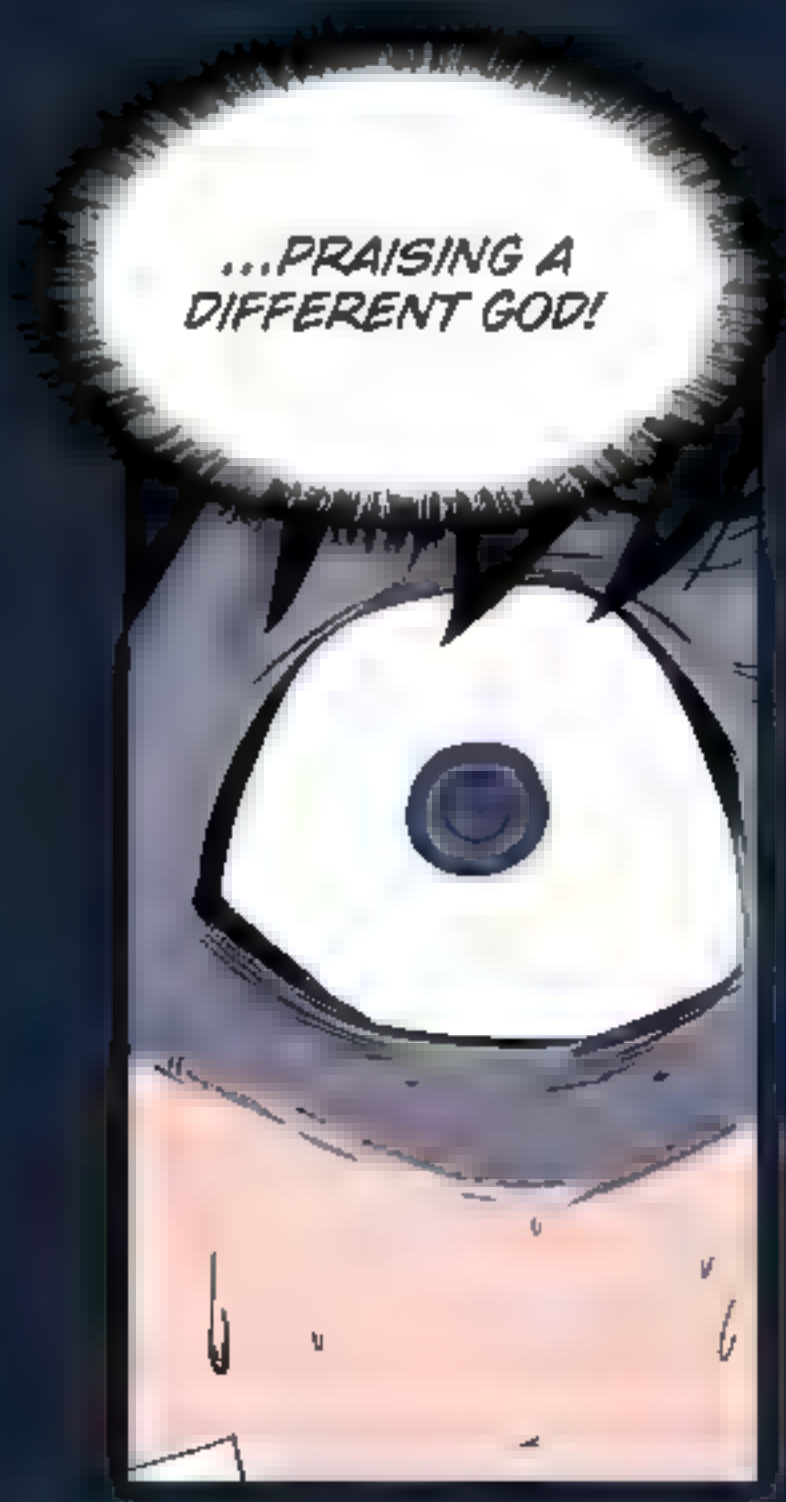
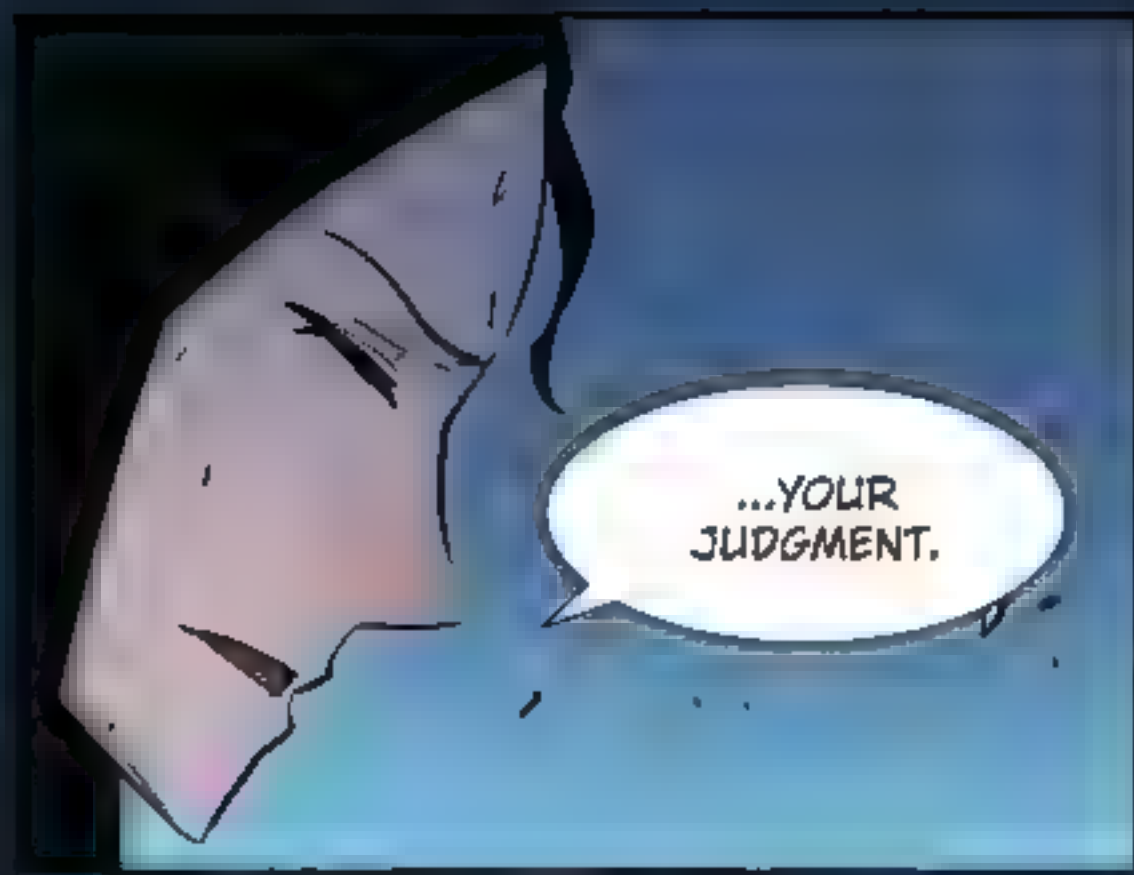
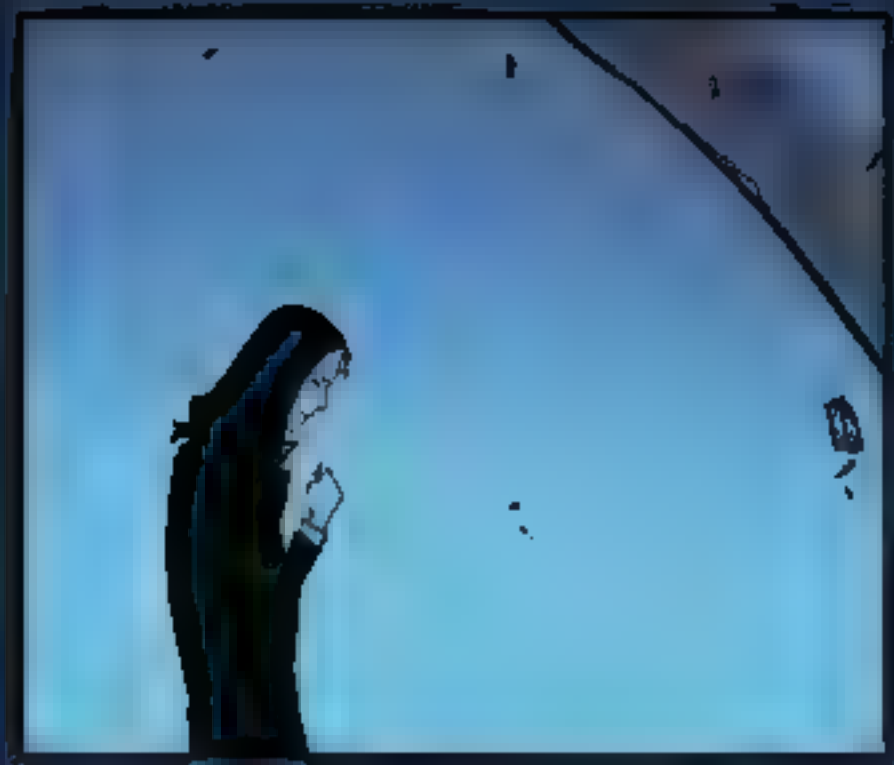
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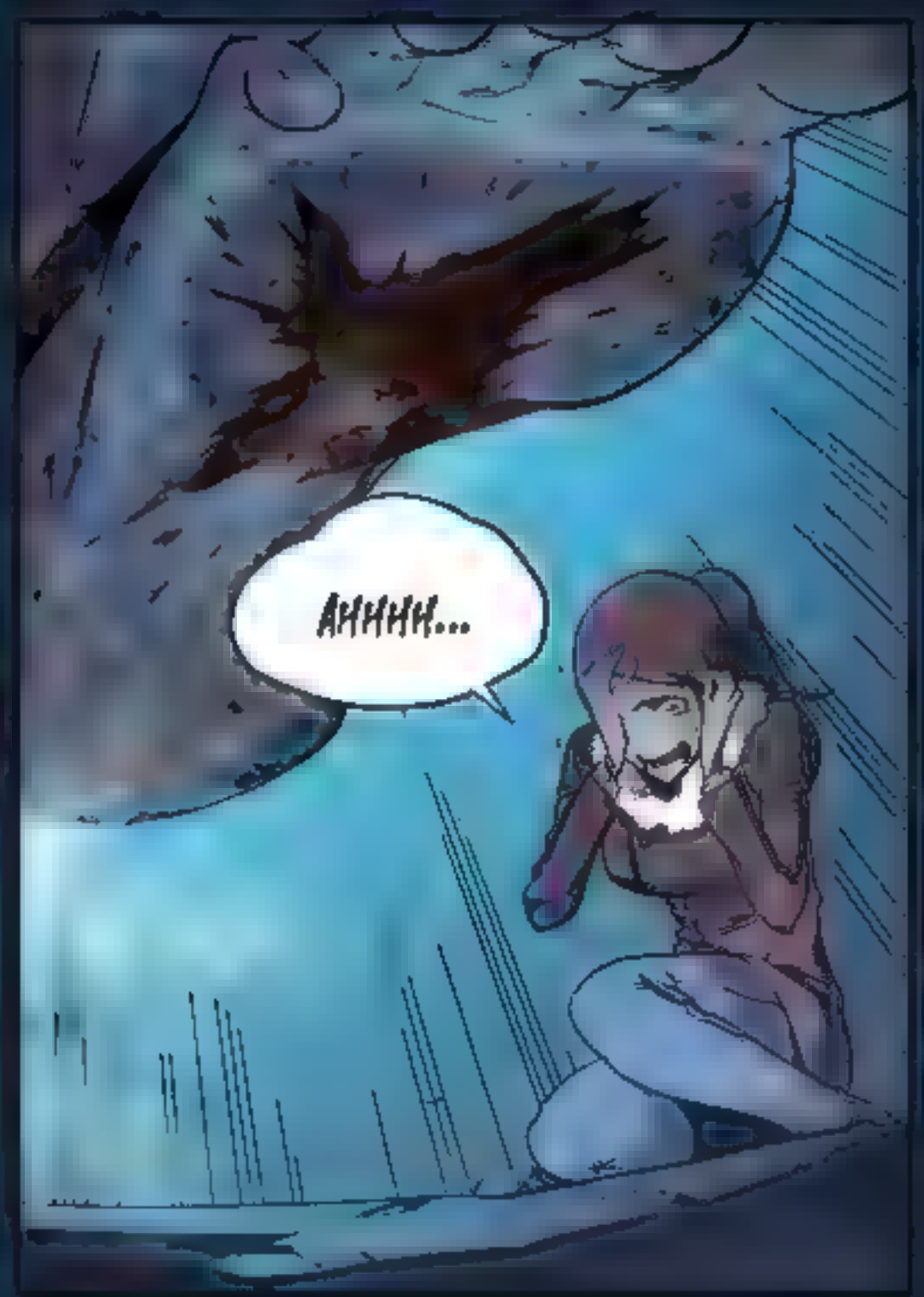


HOW
DO
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...I CRAVE...



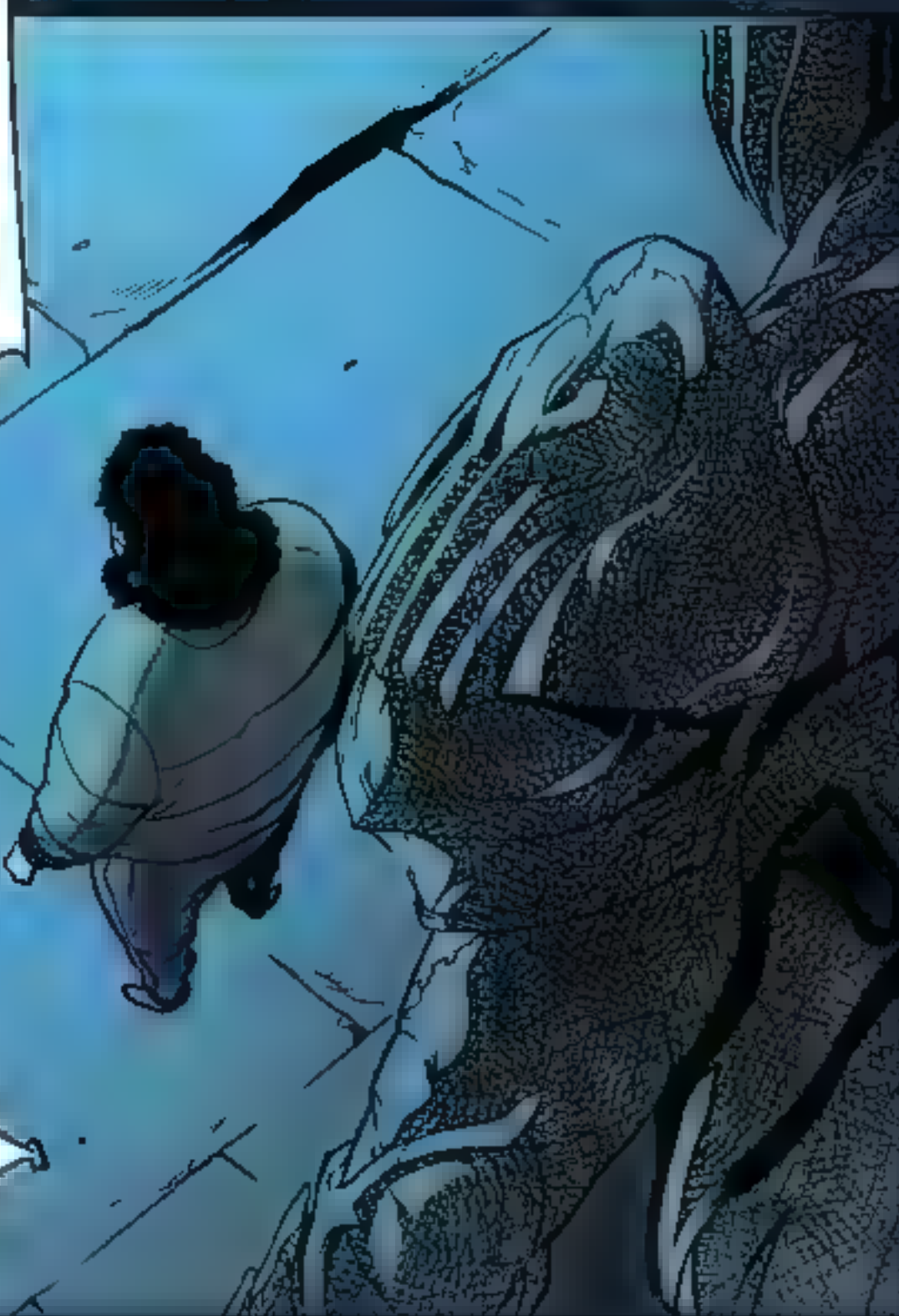




BUT I
CAN'T LEAVE
HER ALONE...



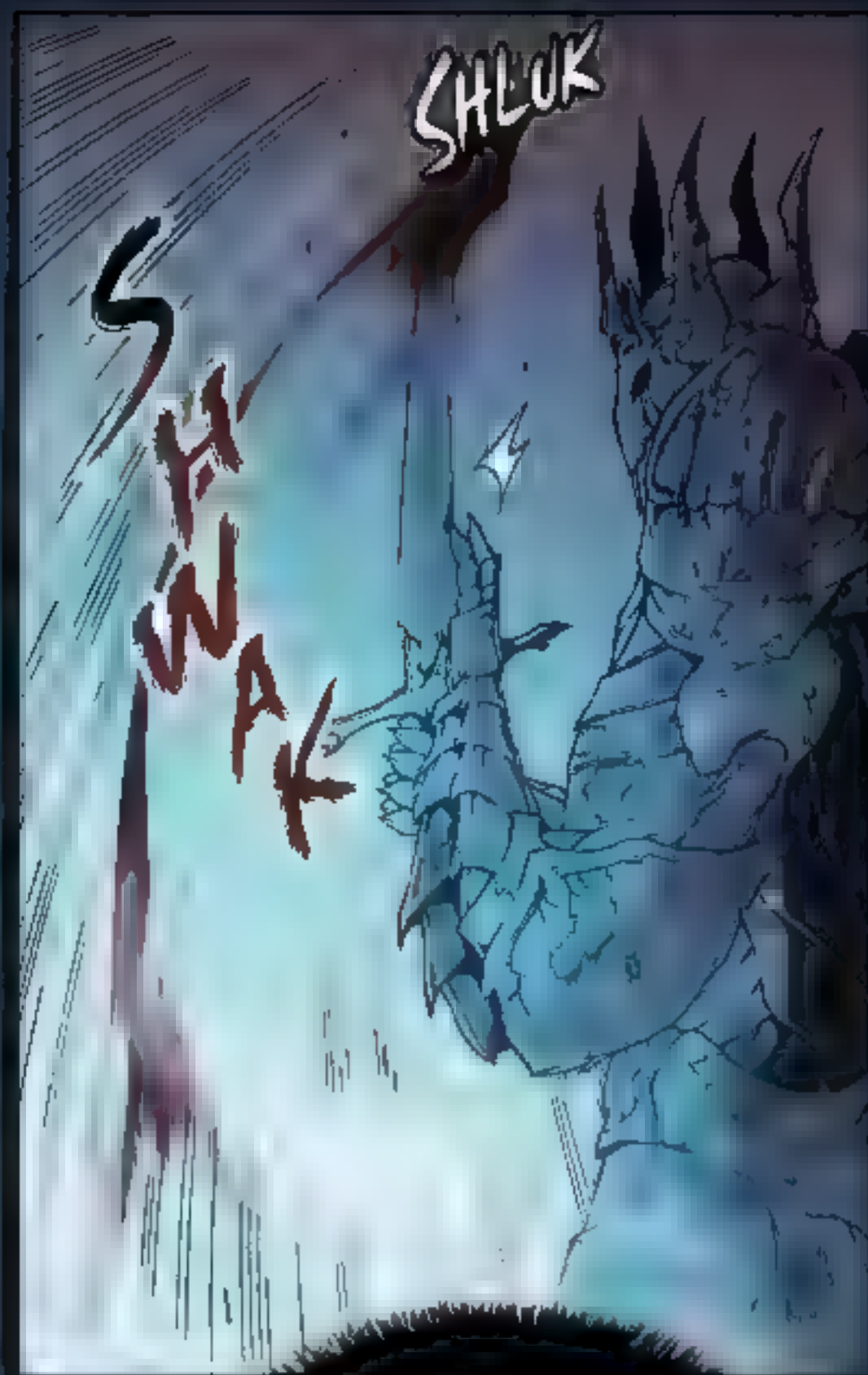
I CAN'T
DIE HERE LIKE
THIS!







THOU SHALL
PRAISE GOD.



THOU SHALL
PRAISE GOD.

THOU SHALL
PRAISE GOD.

HOW DO YOU
PRAISE THAT
BASTARD?

IT'S A
DEMON!



GIANT ON
ONE END...

...STONE STATUES
ALL AROUND. GET
TOO CLOSE, AND THEY
ATTACK US.

SHHK

ARGHI

ASH

AX, SPEAR,
SWORD...

...HAMMER,
MACE, BOW,
INSTRUMENT...

MY
ARM!

MY
ARM!

SLASH

CAN'T GET
CLOSE, CAN'T
GET AWAY! WHAT
DO WE DO?

HUFF!

HUFF!

HUFF!

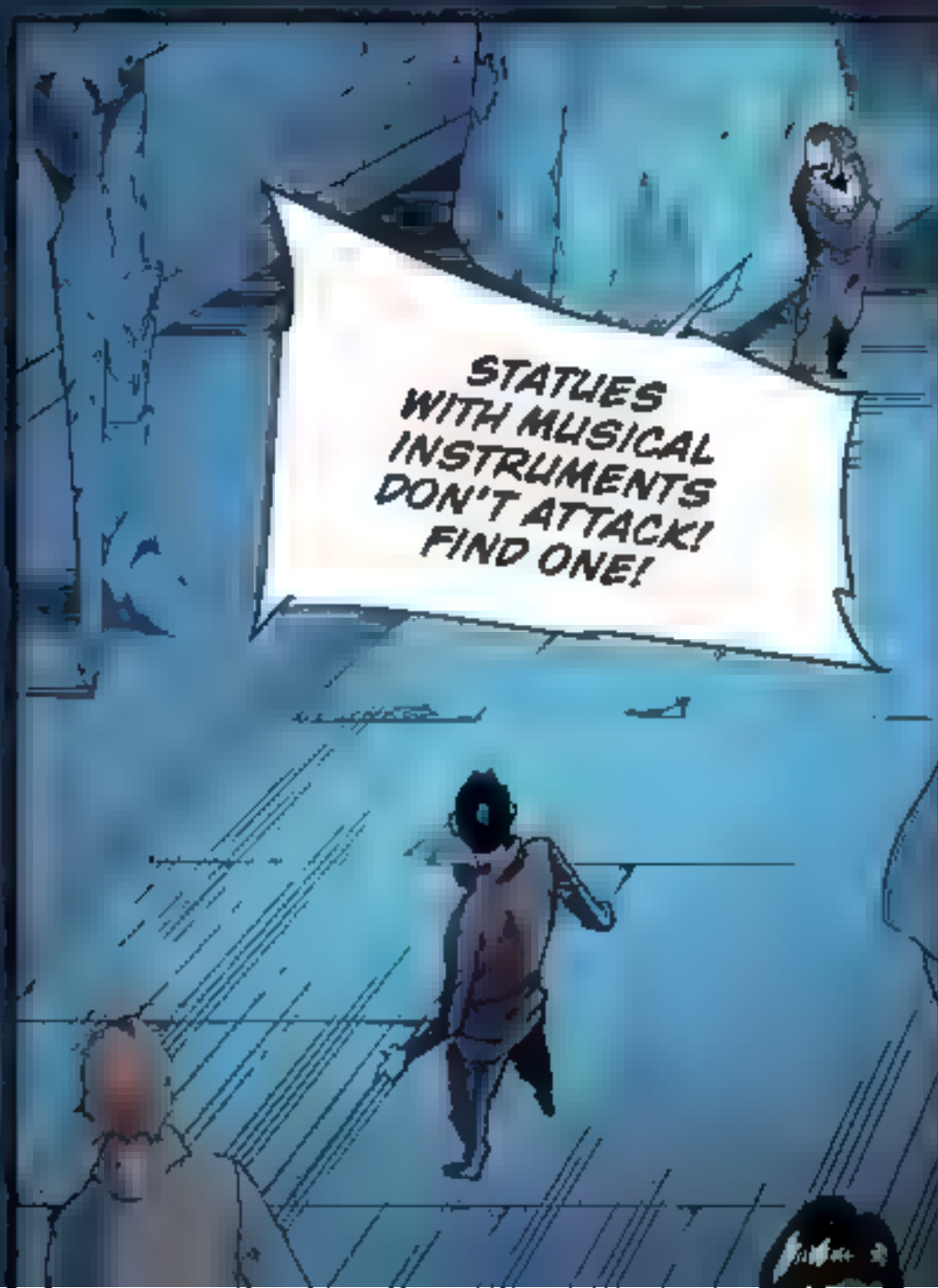
HUH?

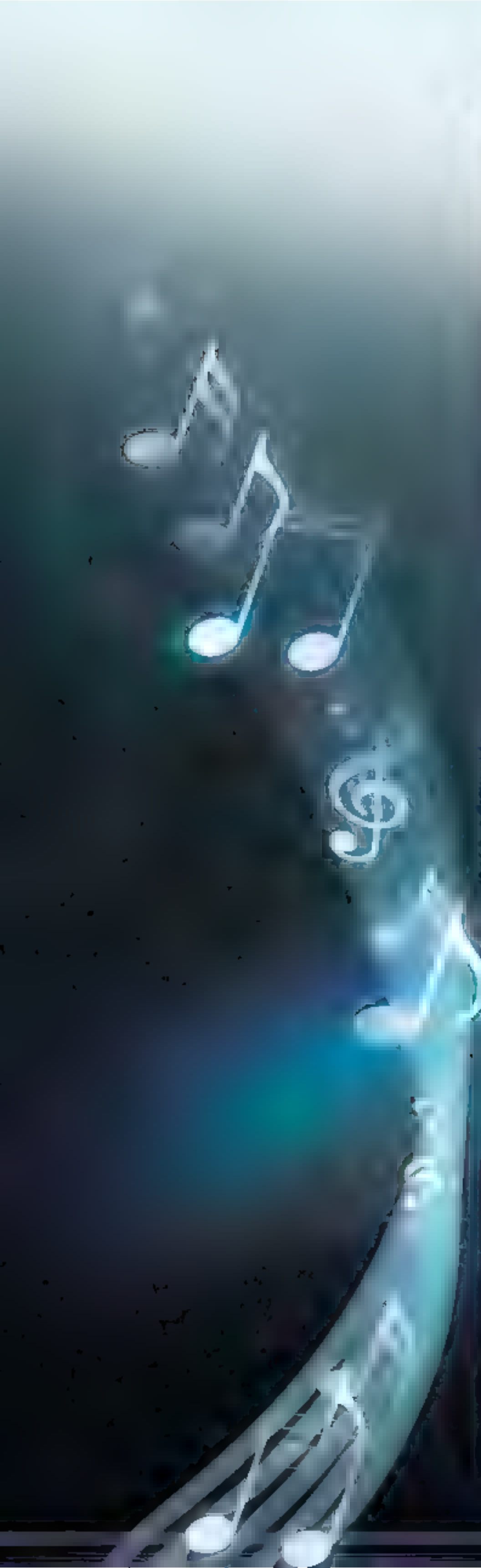
A MUSICAL
INSTRUMENT?

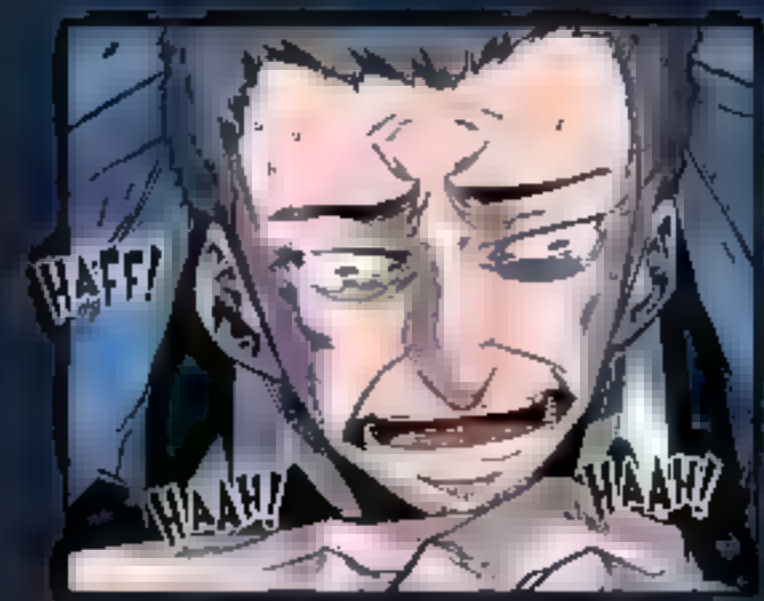
CAN THEY
ATTACK US WITH
THOSE TOO?

THE STATUES
ATTACK WHEN WE GET
CLOSER. THEY MOVE A
CERTAIN WAY WHEN
WE GET NEAR.

WHAT ABOUT
THE ONES
WITH MUSICAL
INSTRUMENTS?







NGH...

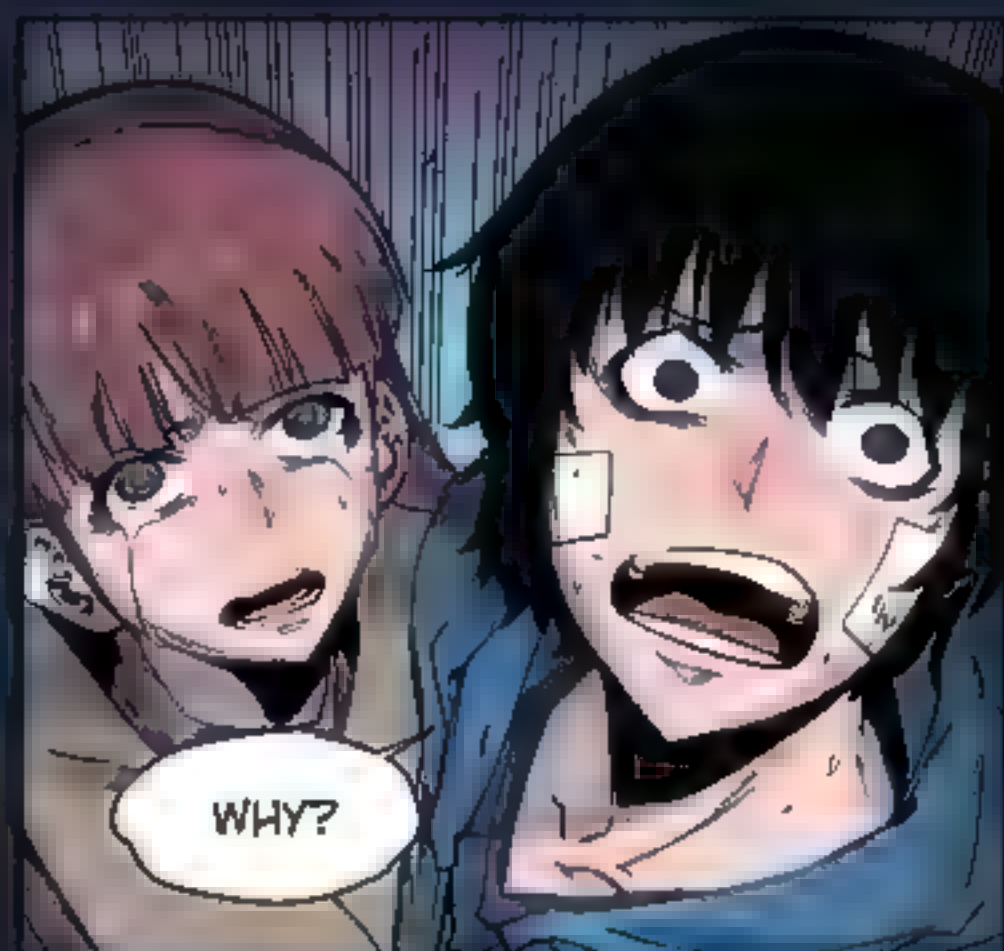
SNIFF...

LNNH...

LNNH...

YOU...SONS
OF BITCHES.





IS IT NOT
PLAYING THE DRUM
BECAUSE BOTH JOOHEE
AND I ARE STANDING
IN FRONT OF IT?

HAHH!!

HAHH!

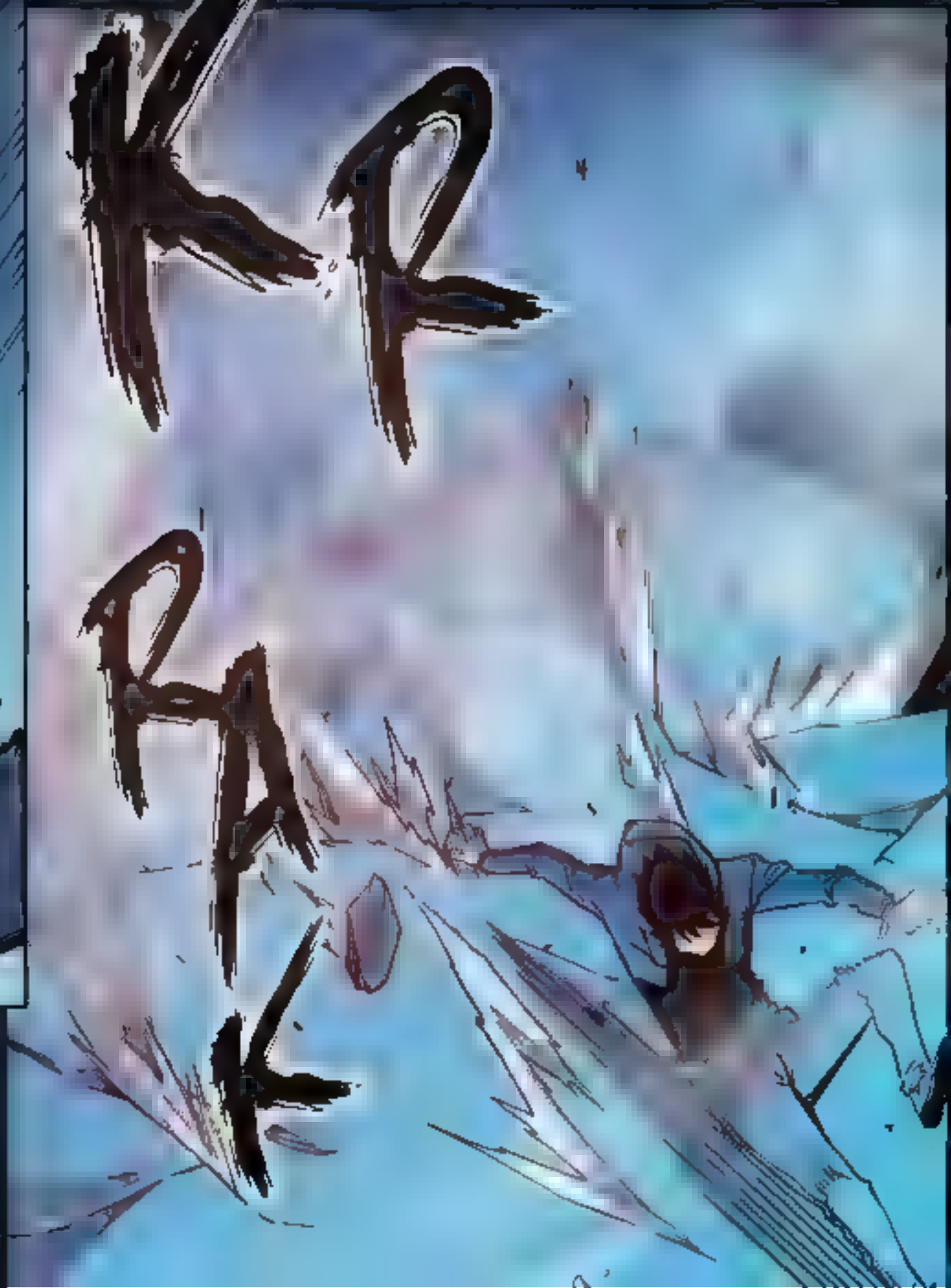
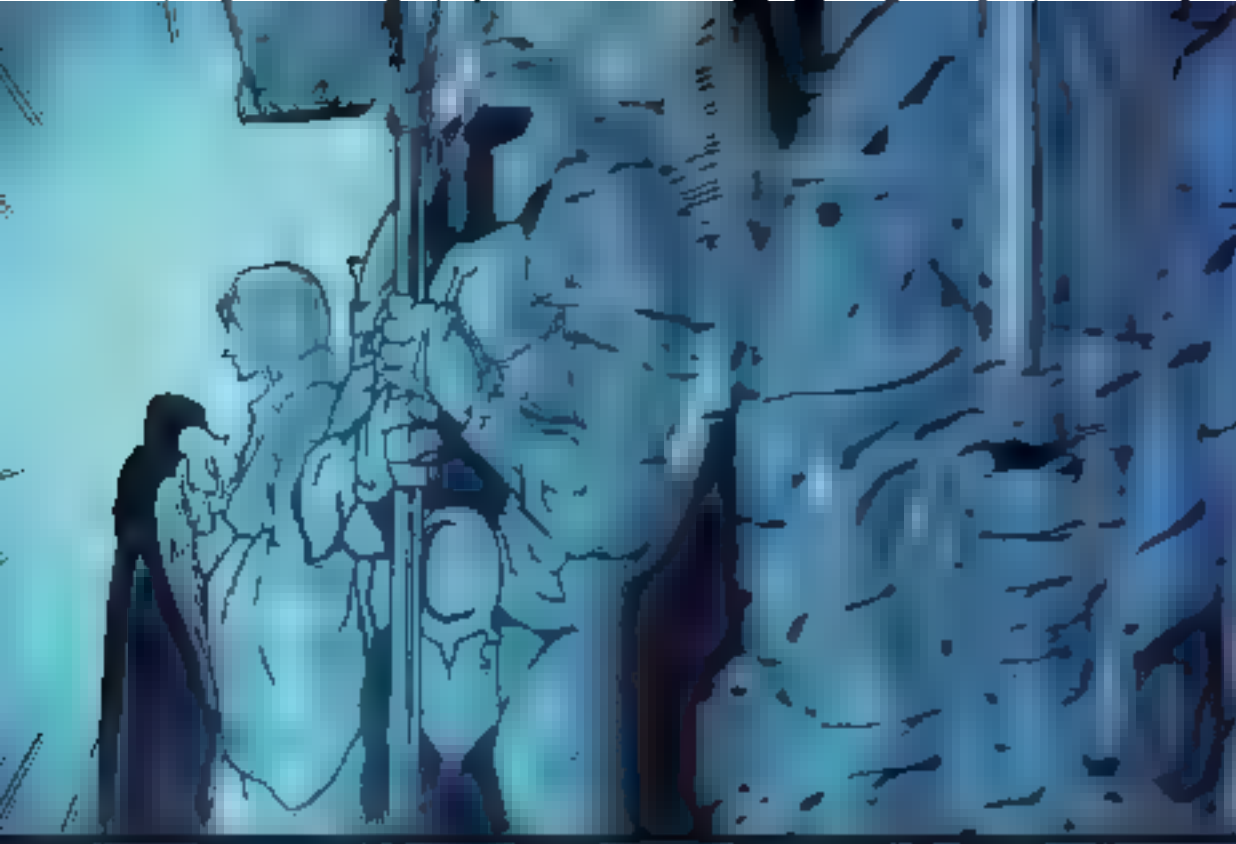
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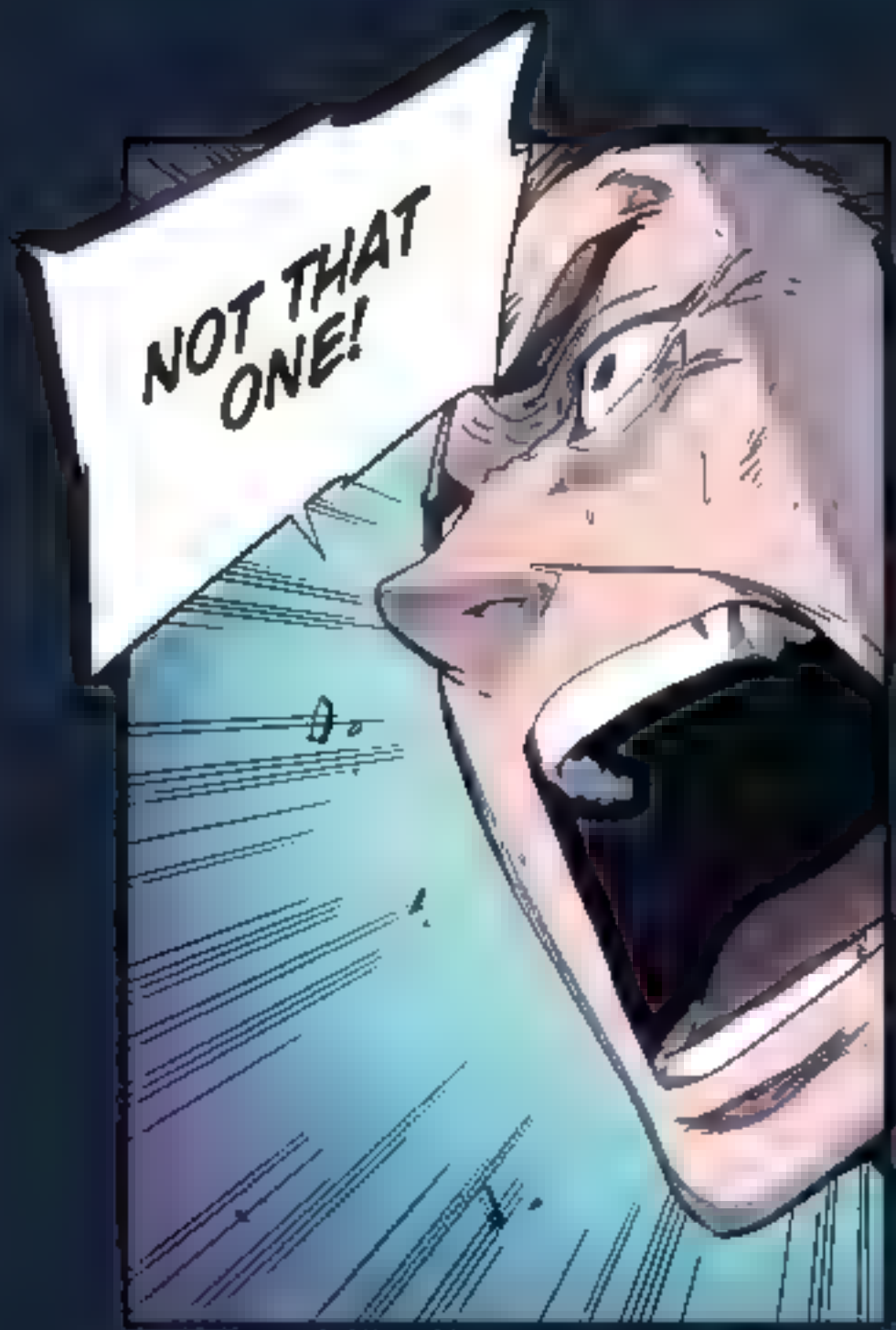
STAY THERE!
YOU'LL BE SAFE!

JINWOO!!

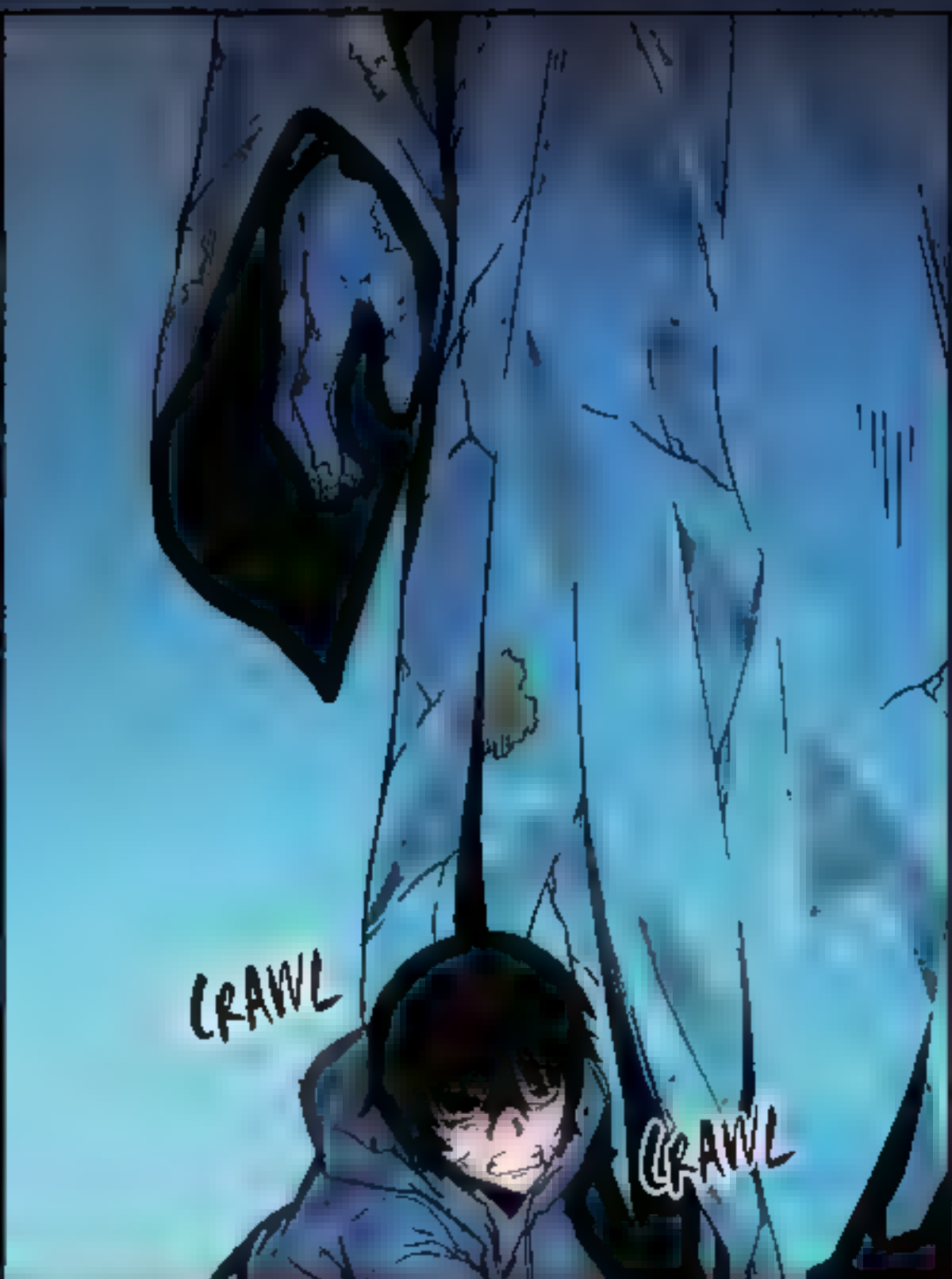
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UN









IF THERE
IS A GOD...

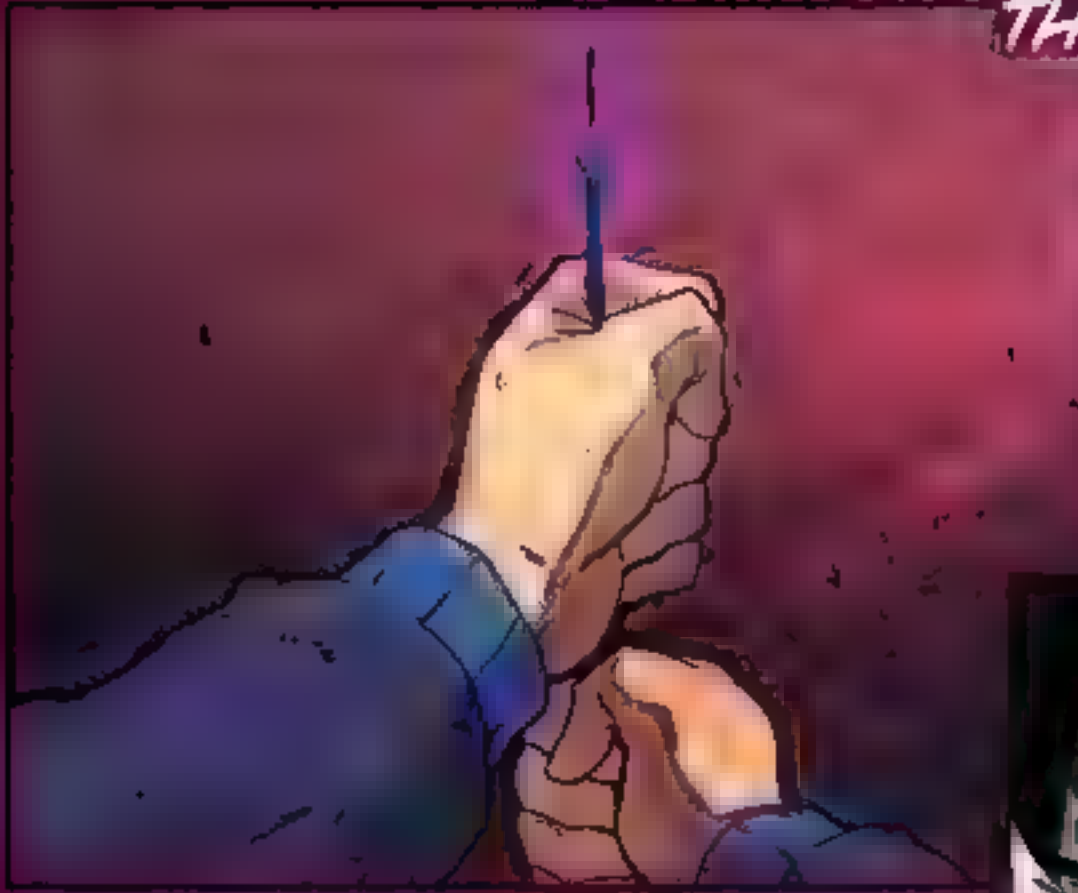




LIFE...

...OR DEATH...

...HANGING ON
BY A PROVERBIAL
THREAD...

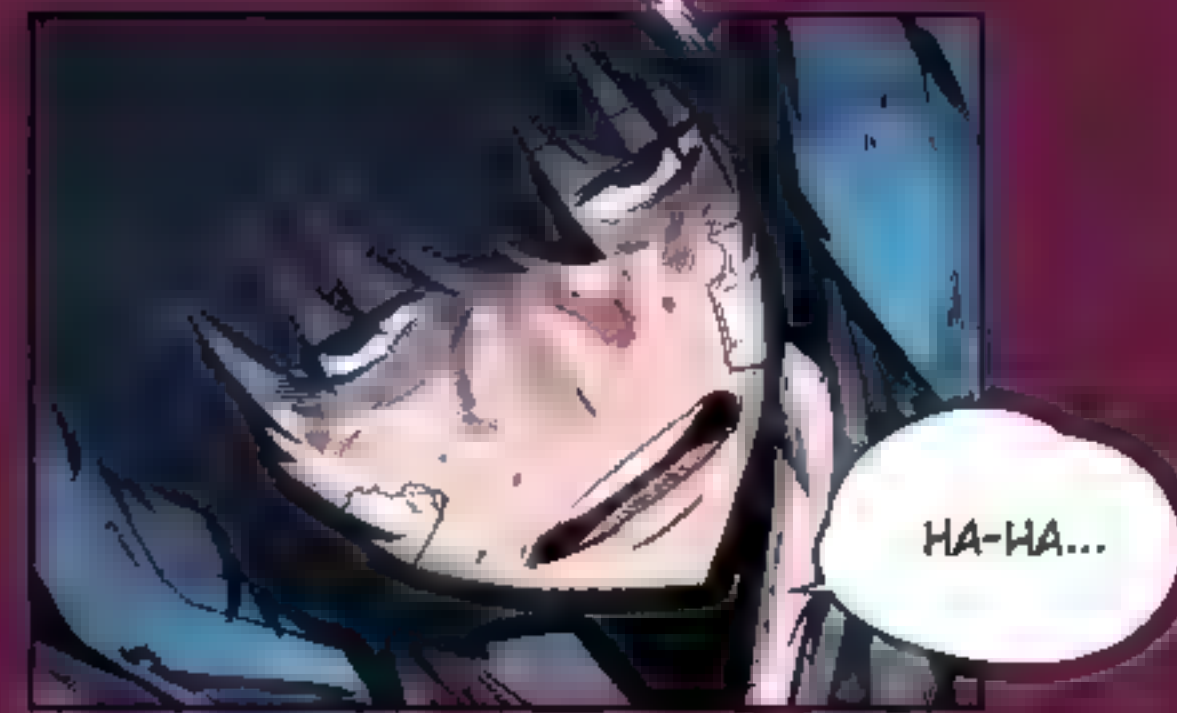


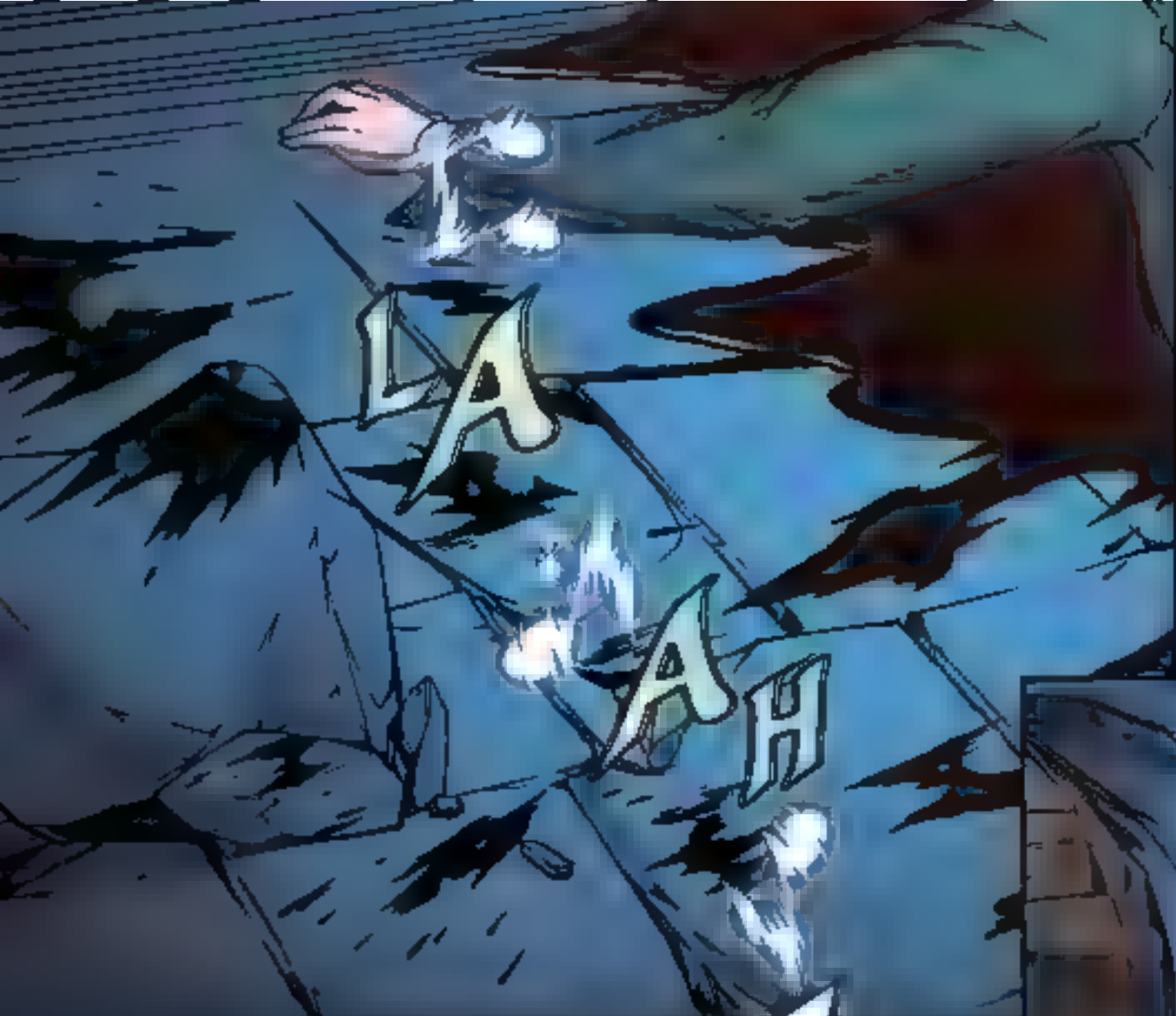
WILL THE
THREAD NOW...



...BE CUT...?

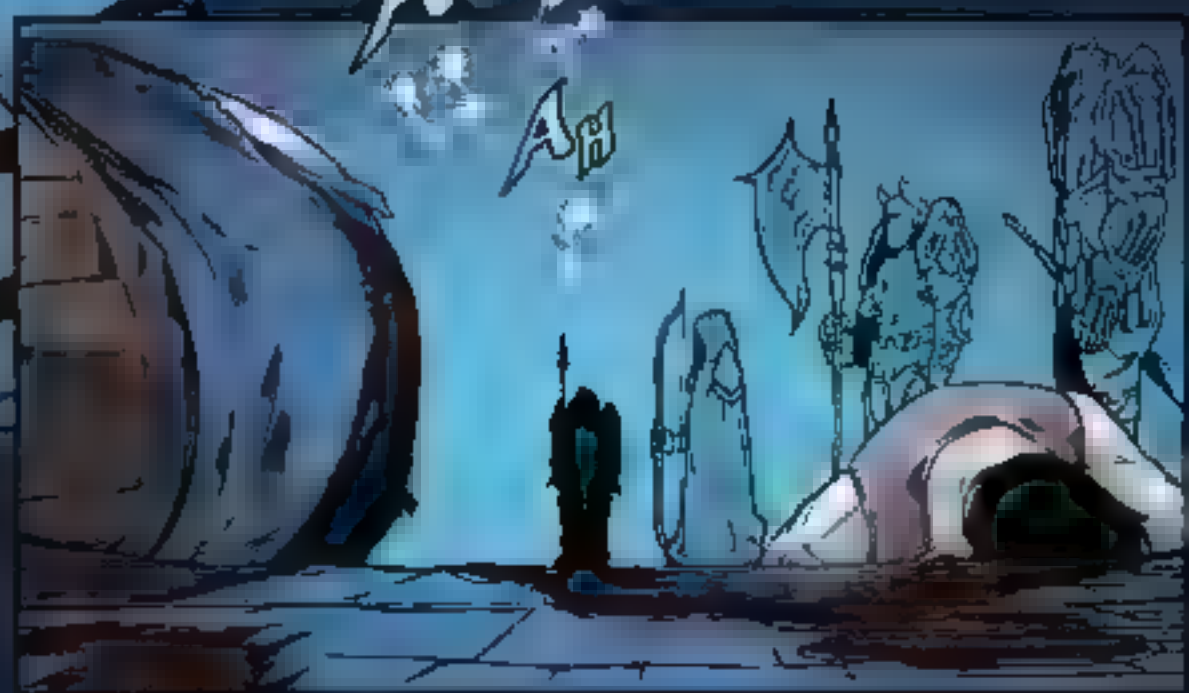






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AH



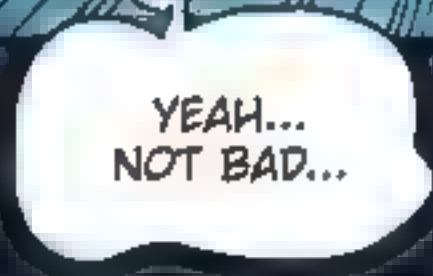
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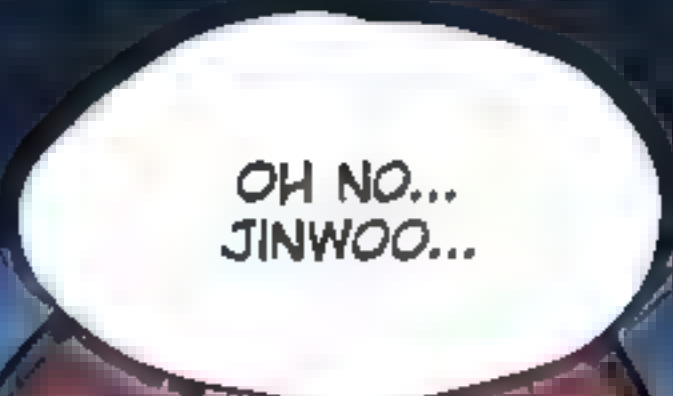
AH



JINWOO,
ARE YOU
OKAY?



YEAH...
NOT BAD...



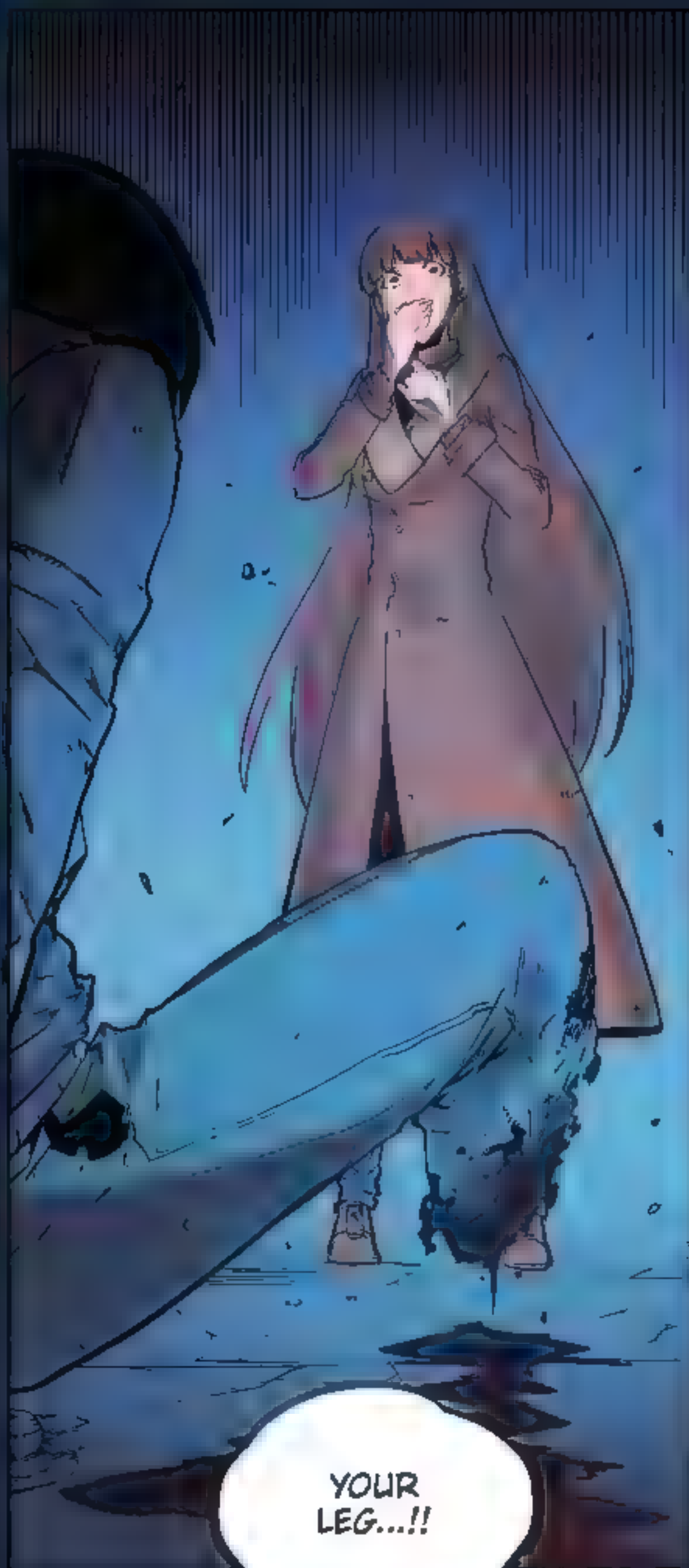
OH NO...
JINWOO...



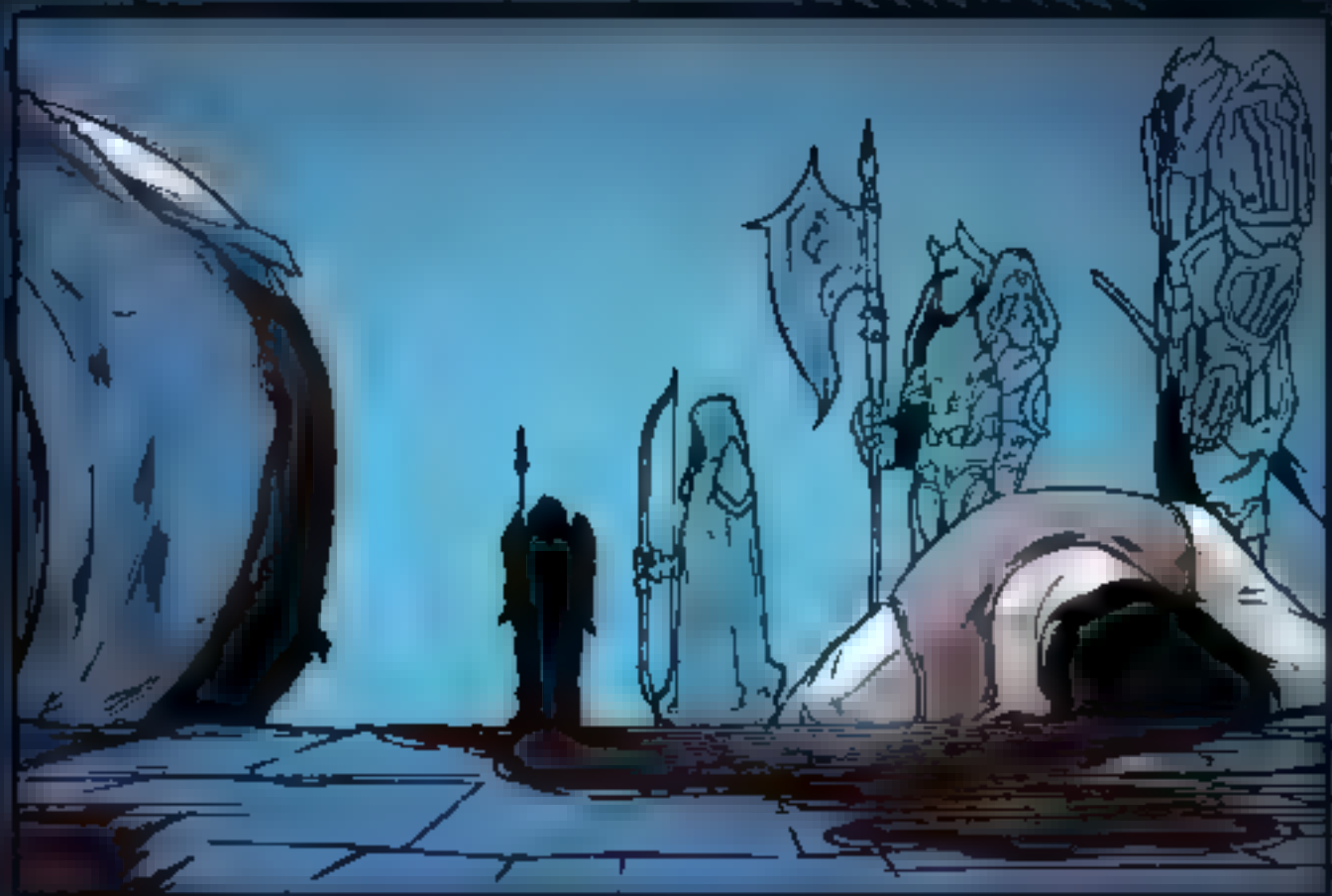
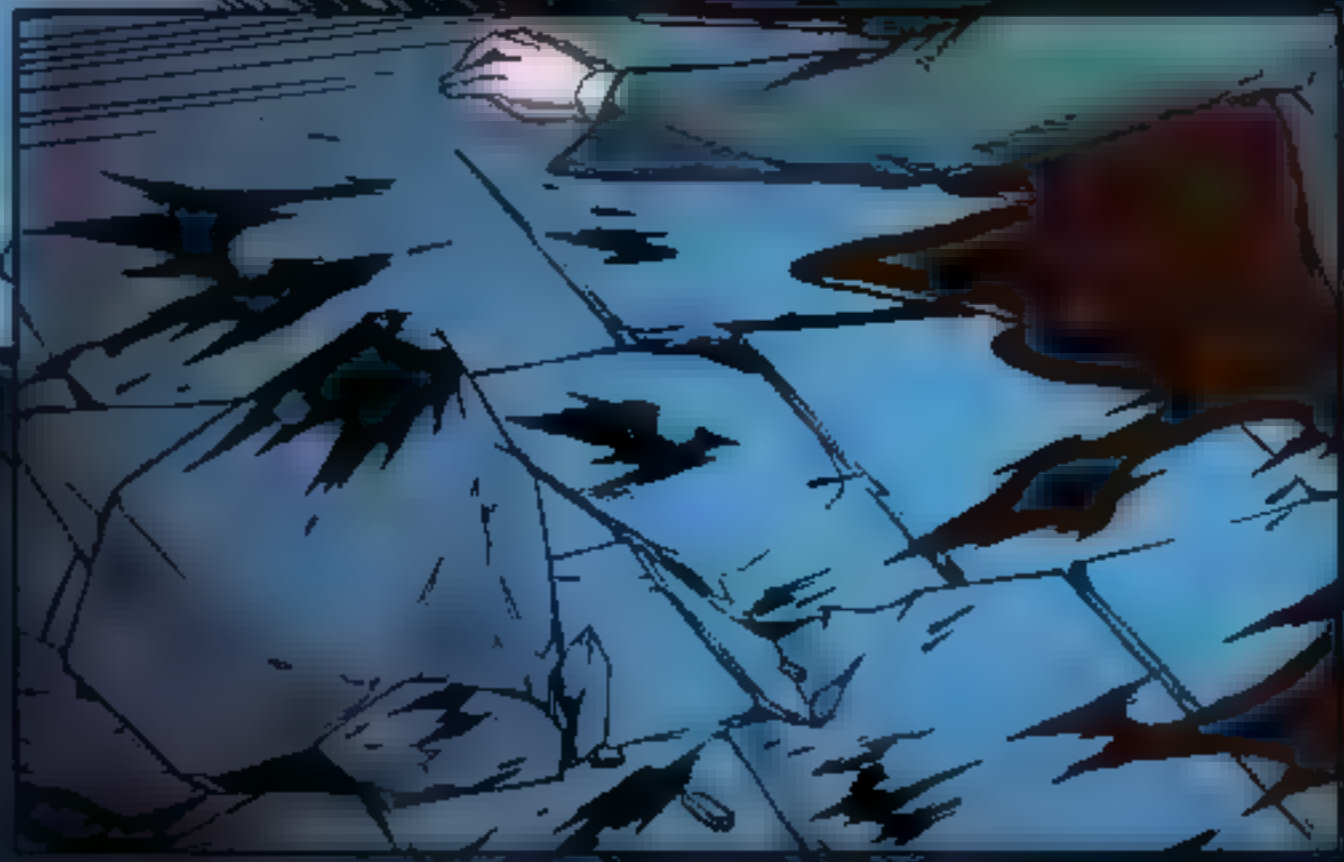
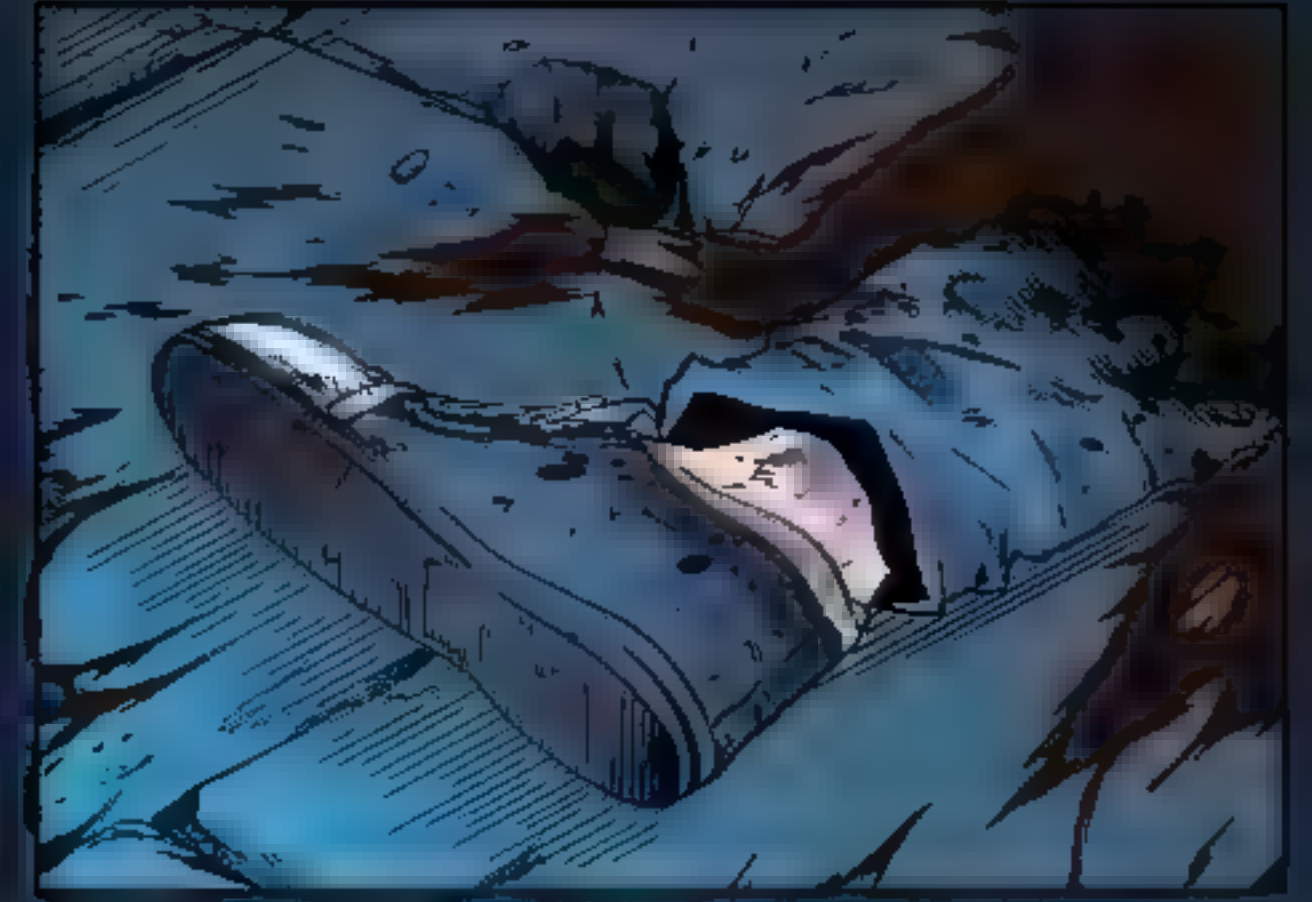
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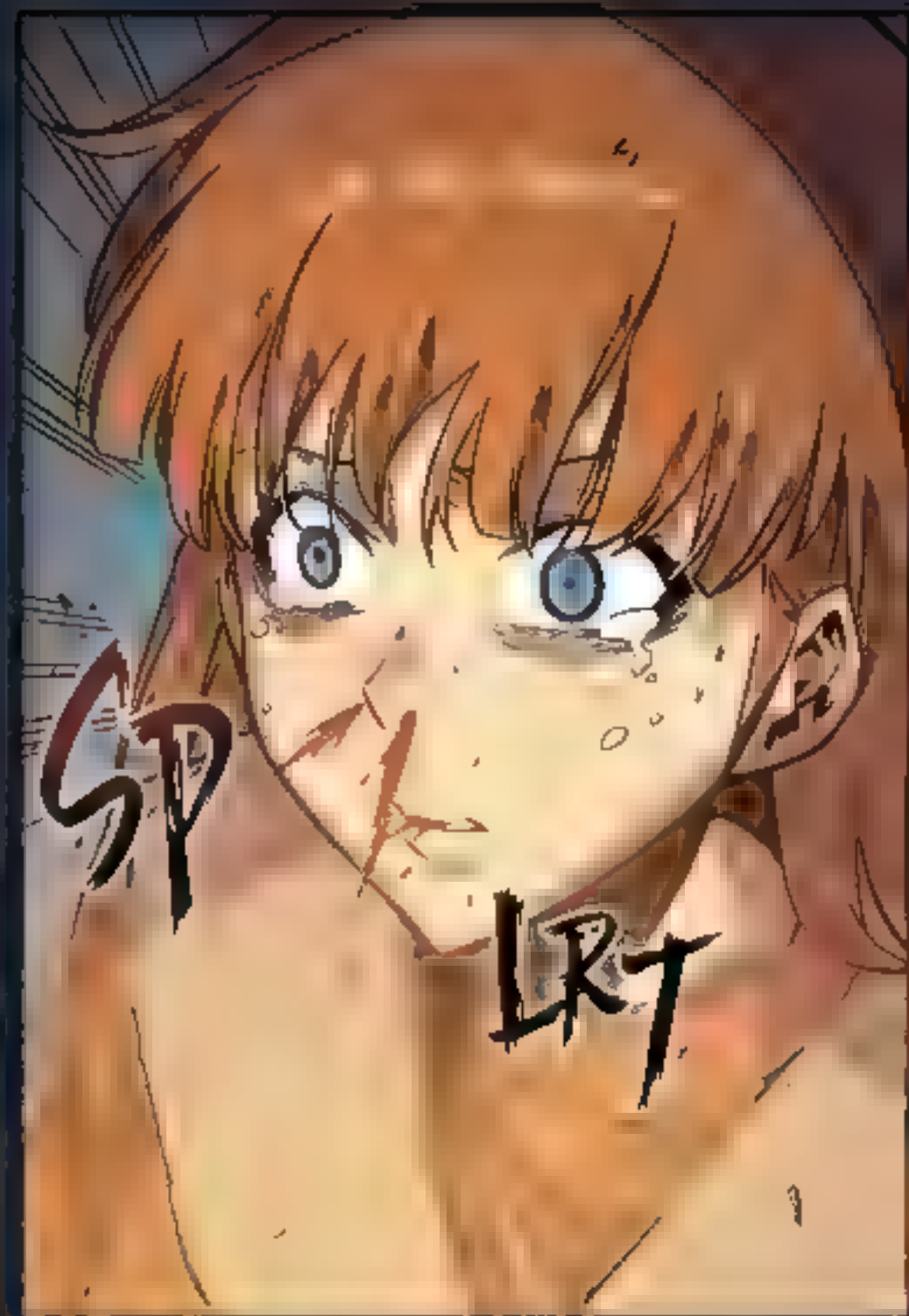


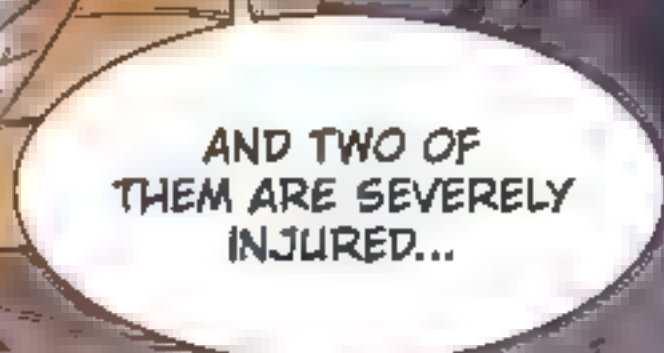
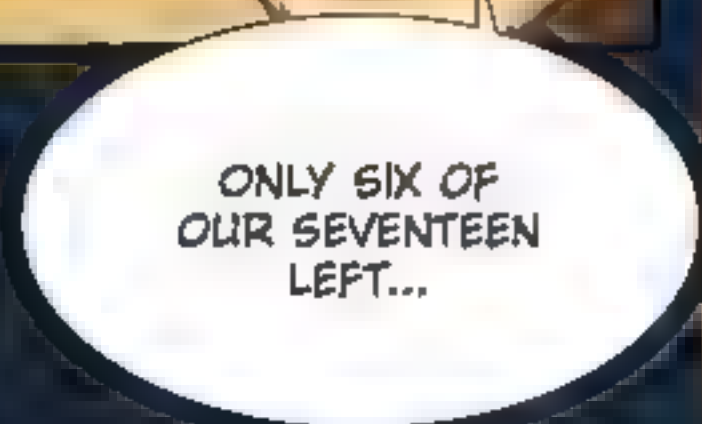
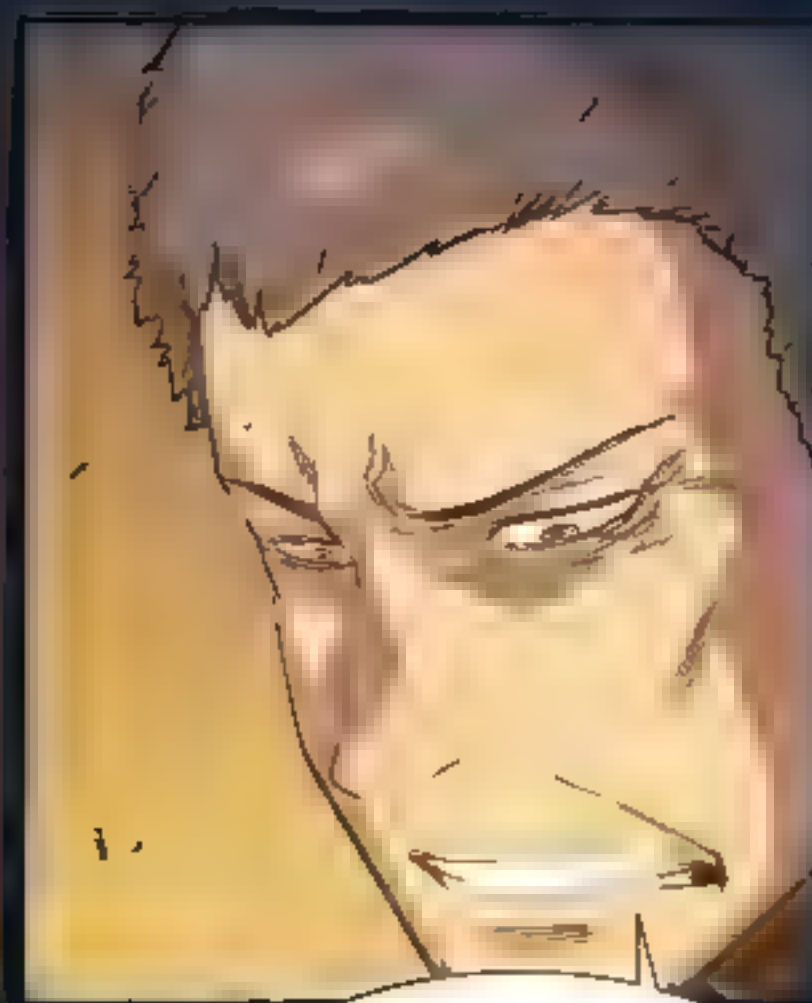
OH...



YOUR
LEG...!!







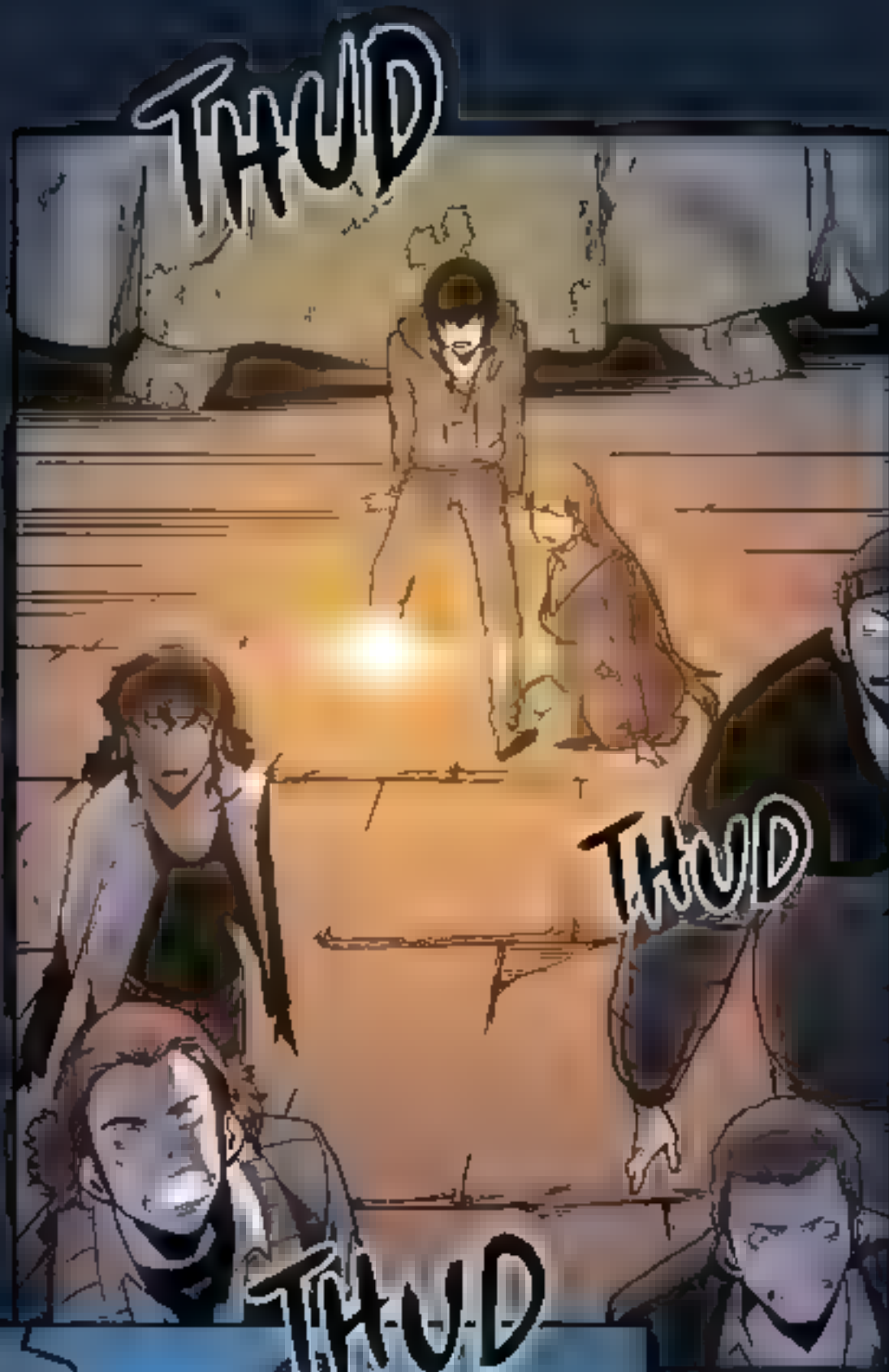


I'M SORRY
YOU LOST YOUR ARM,
BUT YOU'RE THE
LEADER OF THIS RAID,
AND YOU MADE THE
WRONG CALL.

SONG...
YOU'RE THE ONE
WHO HAS TO TAKE
RESPONSIBILITY
FOR THIS.

YES...





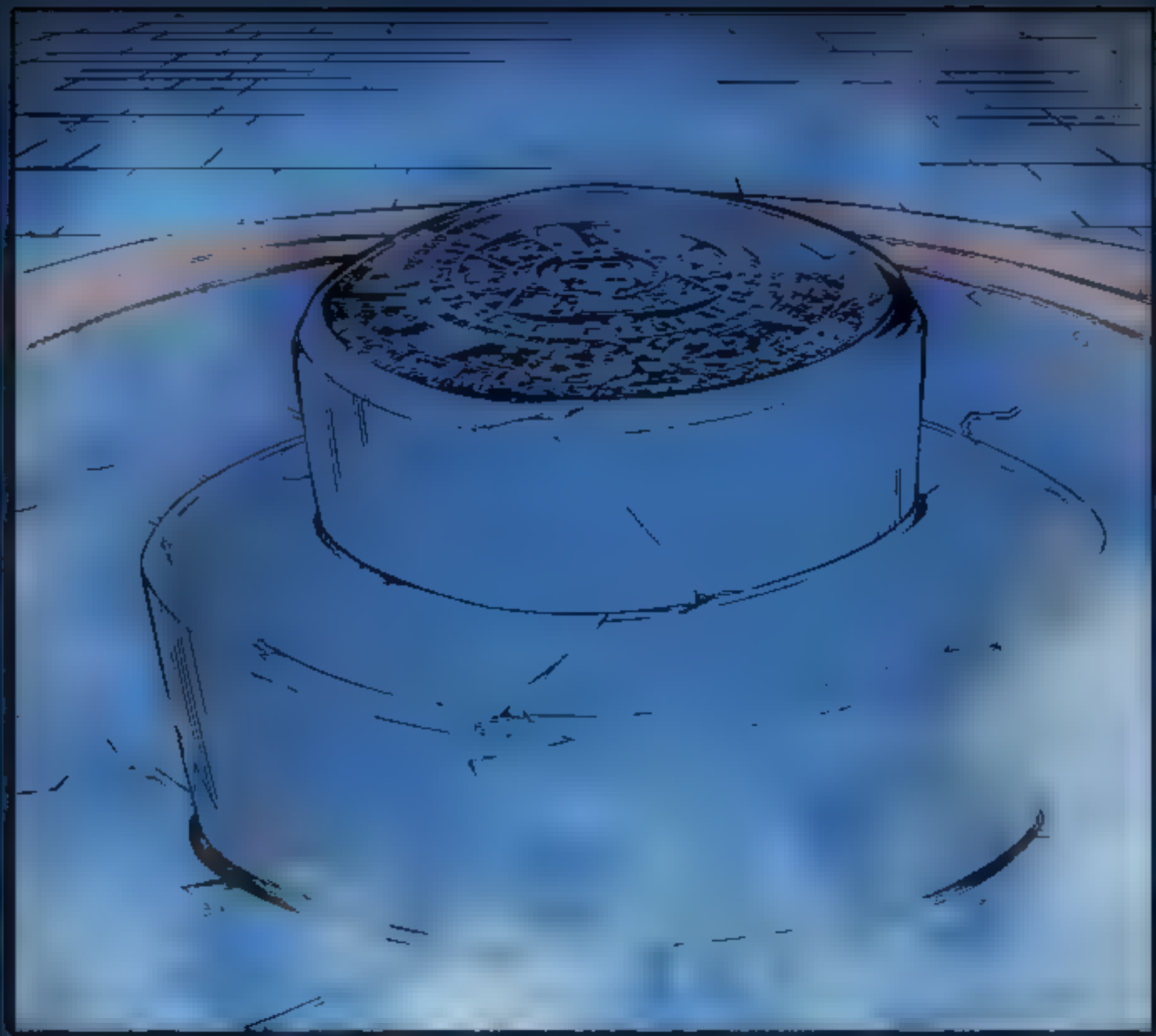
WHAT'S
HAPPENING
NOW?!

EARTH-
QUAKE?







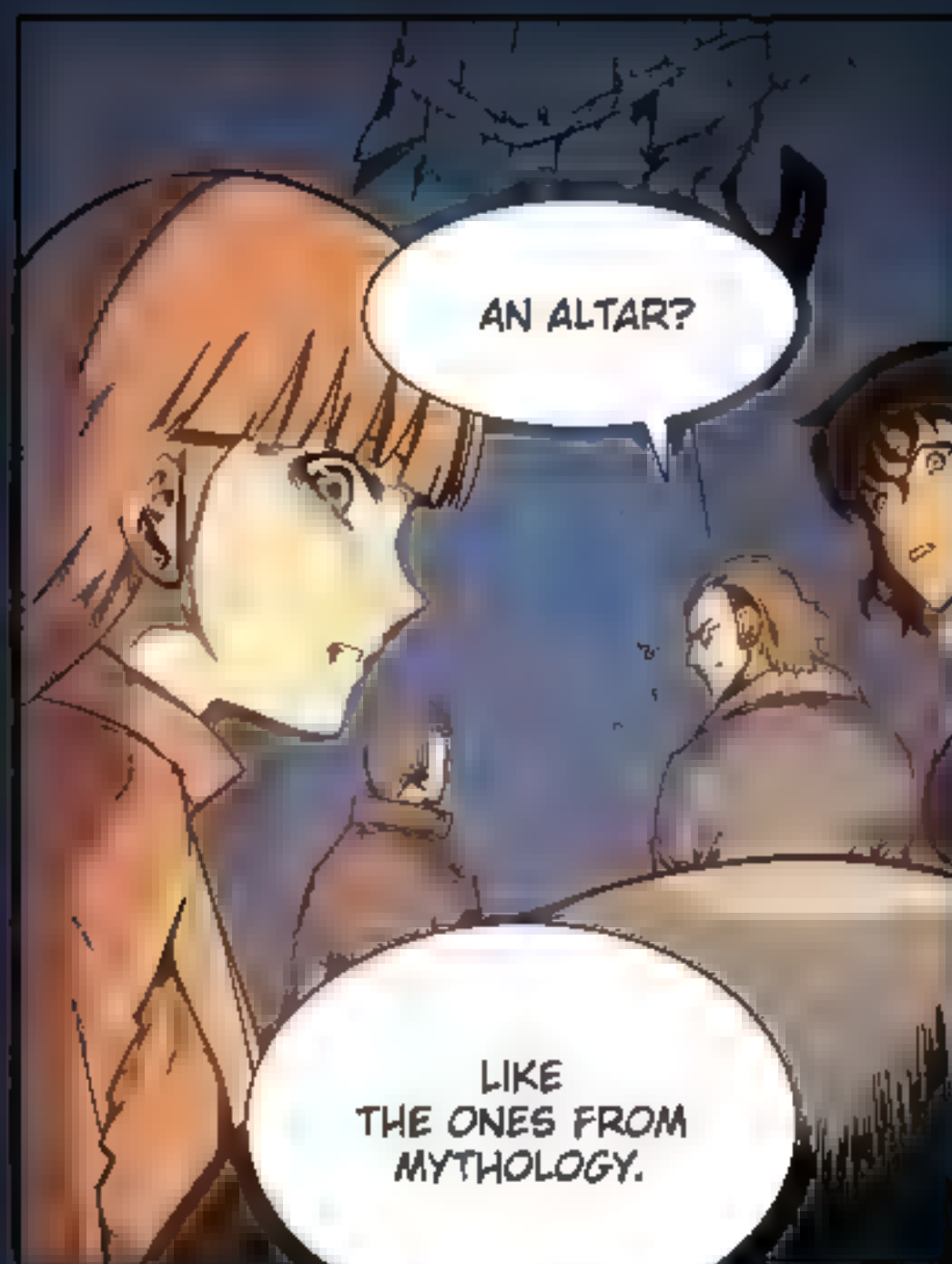


WH-WHAT
IS THAT?



AN ALTAR...





AN ALTAR?

LIKE
THE ONES FROM
MYTHOLOGY.

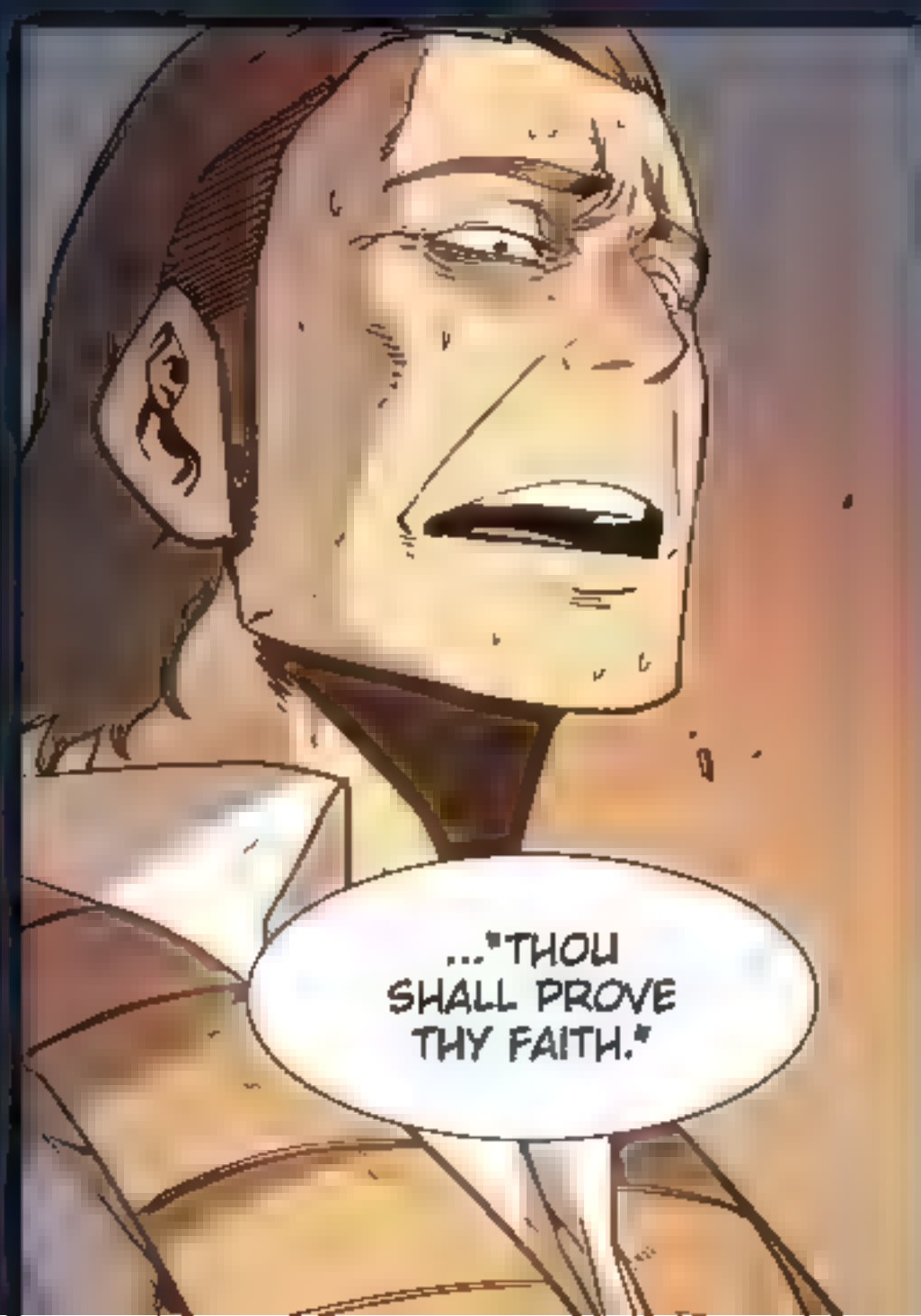


OFFERINGS AND
SACRIFICES FOR THE
GODS...

ANIMALS LIKE COWS,
PIGS, AND SHEEP—
OR EVEN CHILDREN
AND VIRGINS—WERE
SACRIFICED ON ALTARS
LIKE THIS.



THE LAST AND THIRD
COMMANDMENT IS...



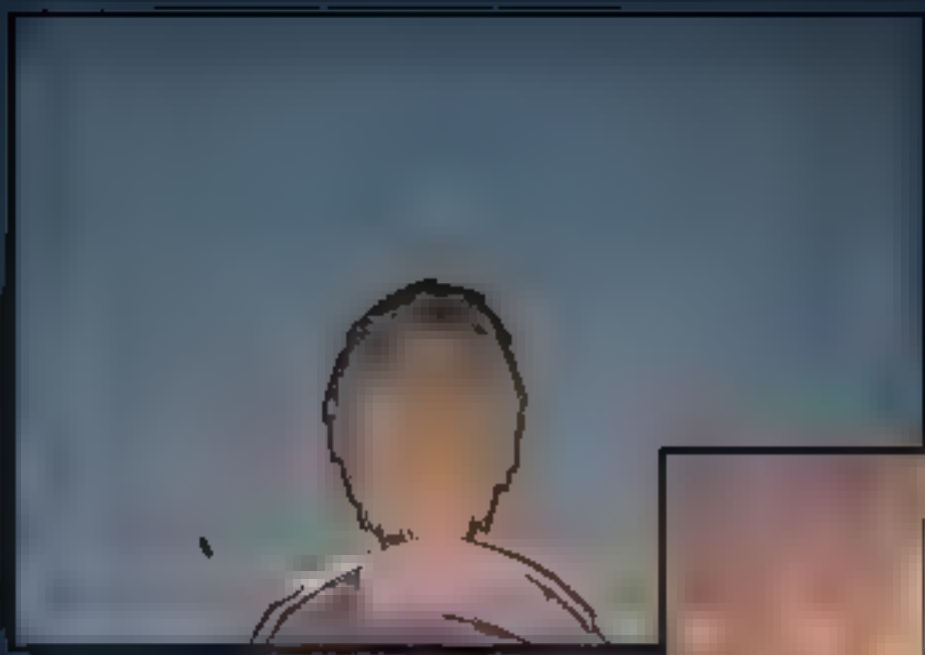
...**"THOU
SHALL PROVE
THY FAITH."**



THAT IS
PROBABLY THE
LAST TEST!

HAAH...

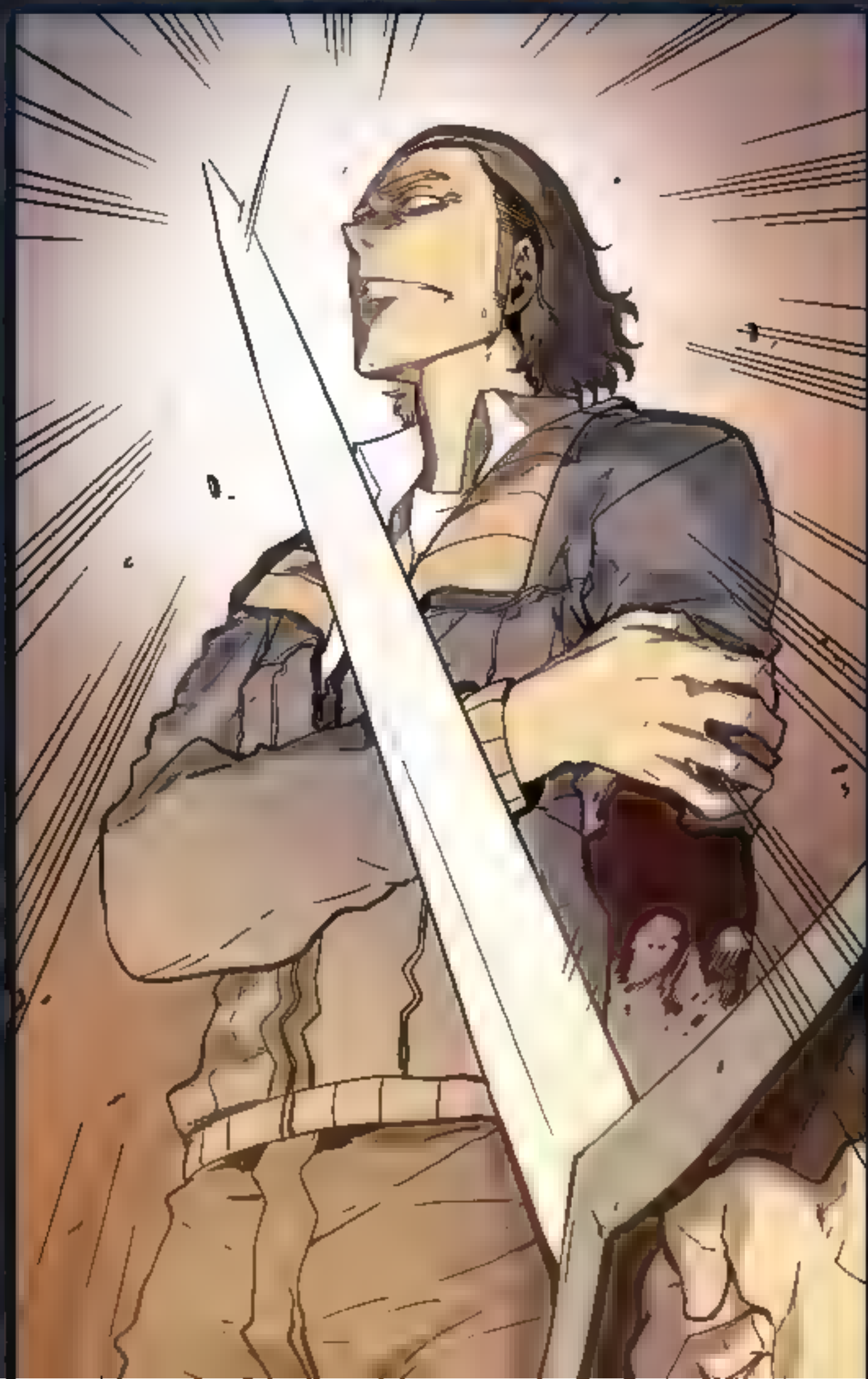
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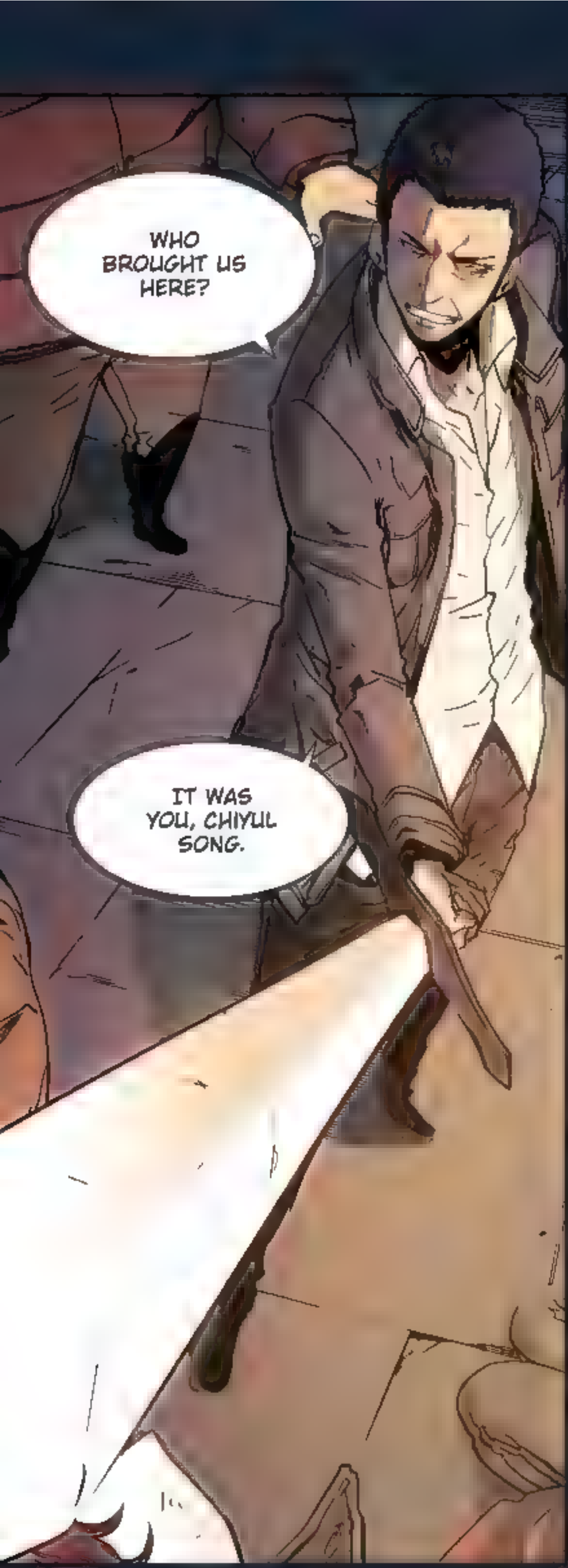


I MAY NOT
BE THE SMARTEST,
BUT I GET WHAT'S
GOING ON NOW.



SHWO





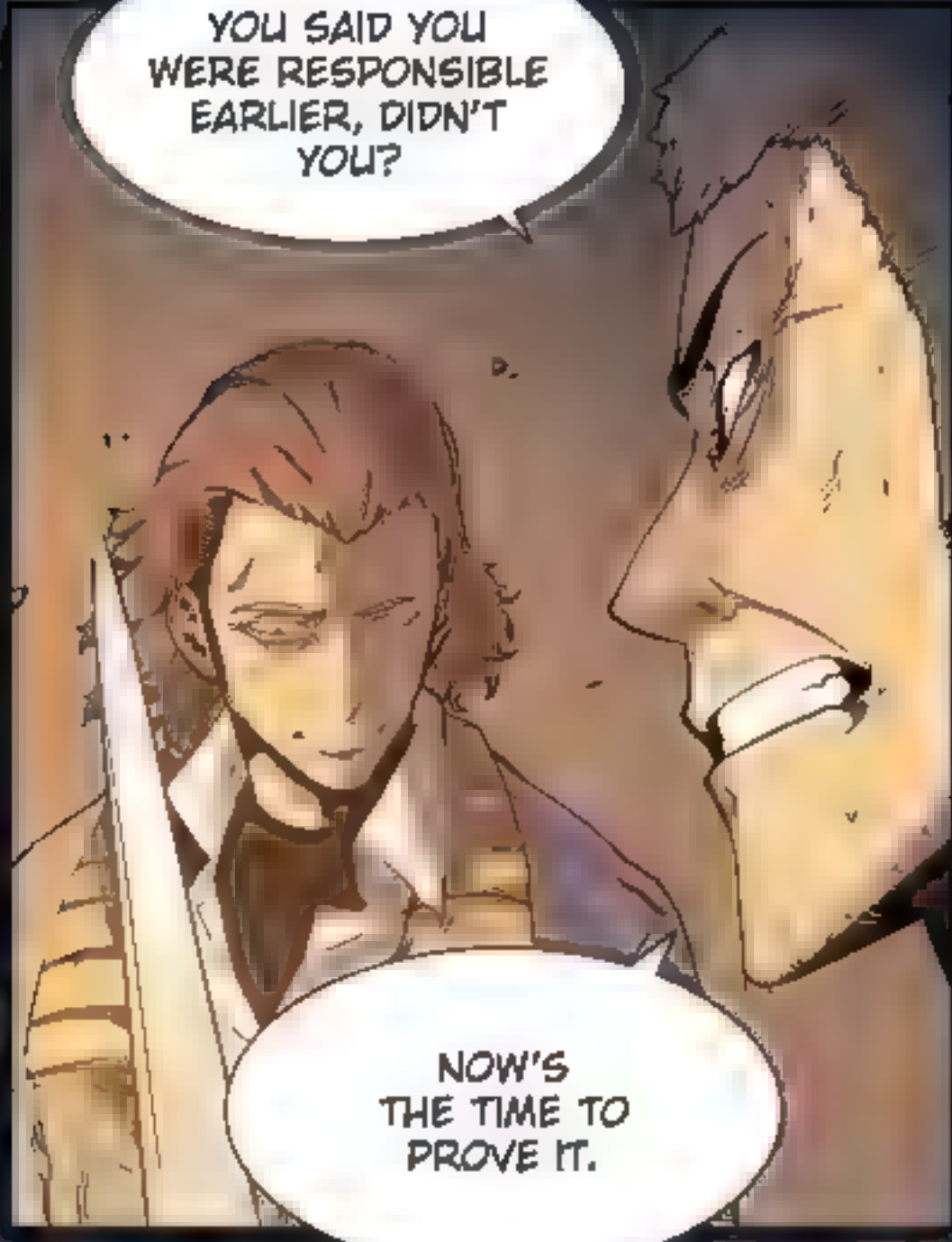
WHO
BROUGHT US
HERE?

IT WAS
YOU, CHIYUL
SONG.



PARK WAS
BRAGGING ABOUT
HIS WIFE BEFORE
WE CAME IN HERE,
AND NOW HE'S
DEAD!

AND THERE
ARE TEN MORE...



YOU SAID YOU
WERE RESPONSIBLE
EARLIER, DIDN'T
YOU?

NOW'S
THE TIME TO
PROVE IT.



MR. KIM...

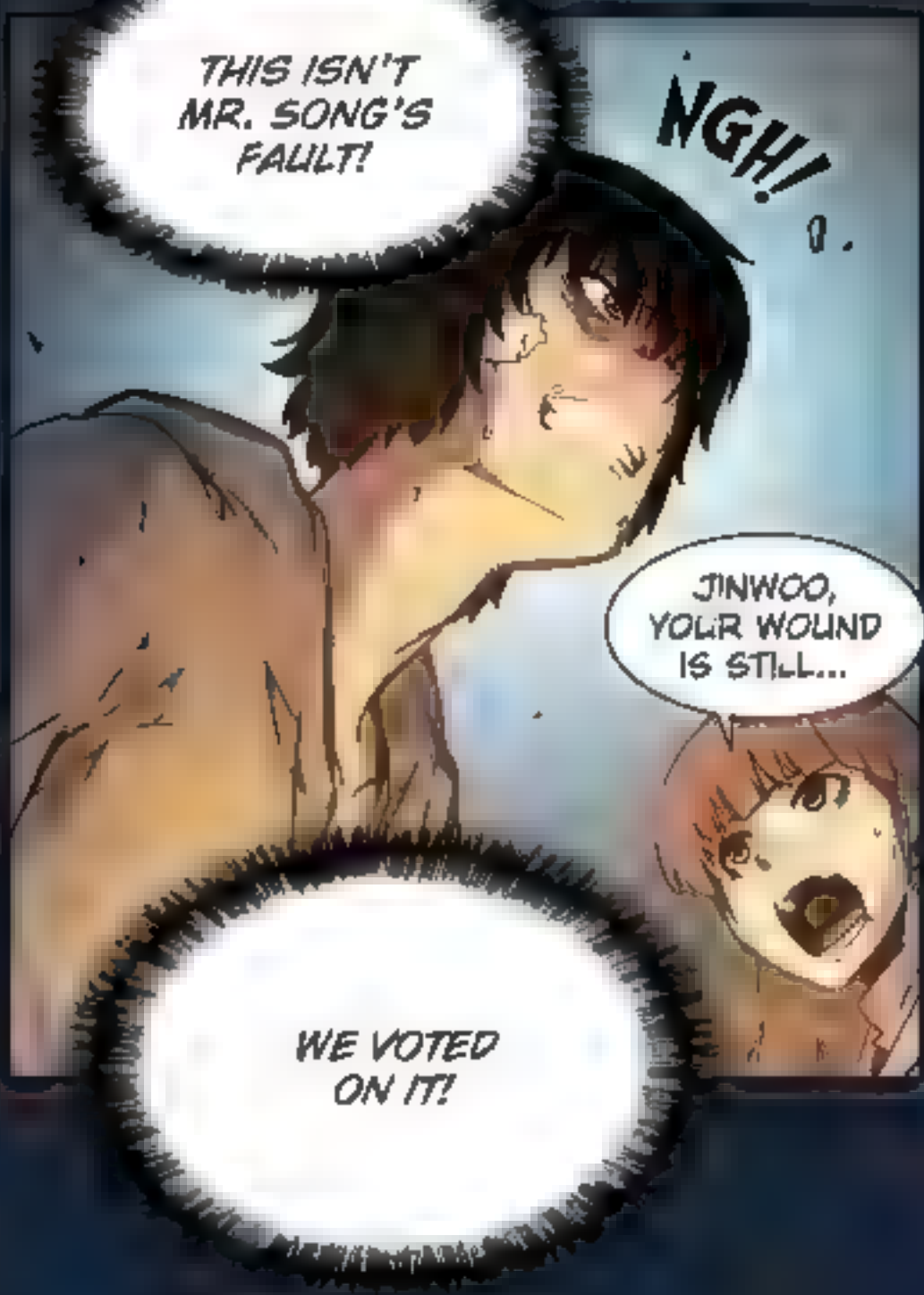
THAT'S
NO—

**SHUT UP
AND DON'T
MOVE!**



KIM IS RIGHT.
I NEED TO TAKE
CARE OF THIS.

I'LL GO MYSELF.
LOWER YOUR SWORD.



THIS ISN'T
MR. SONG'S
FAULT!

JINWOO,
YOUR WOUND
IS STILL...

WE VOTED
ON IT!

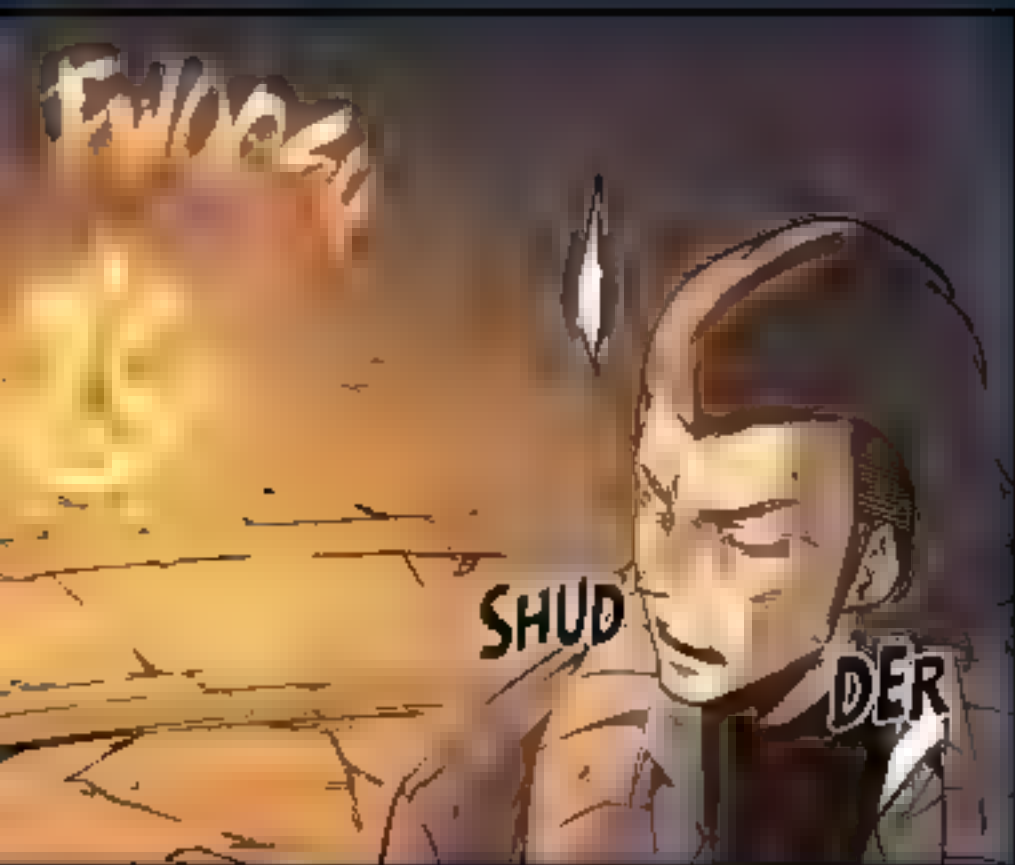
IT'S A COWARDLY
THING TO BLAME
MR. SONG FOR
EVERYTHING THAT'S
HAPPENED!

STEP

STEP









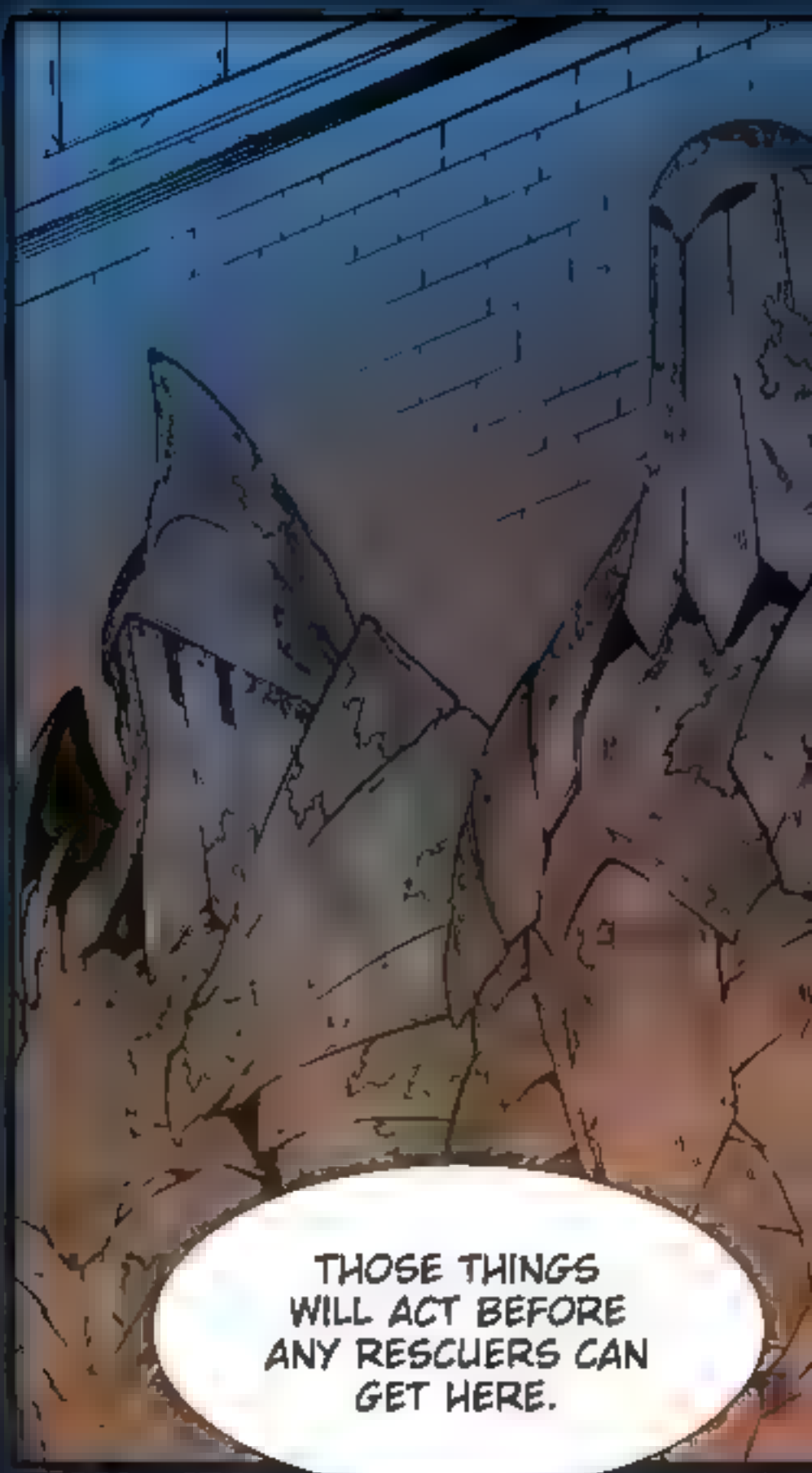




WILL OTHER
HUNTERS COME TO
RESCUE US IF WE
WAIT HERE?

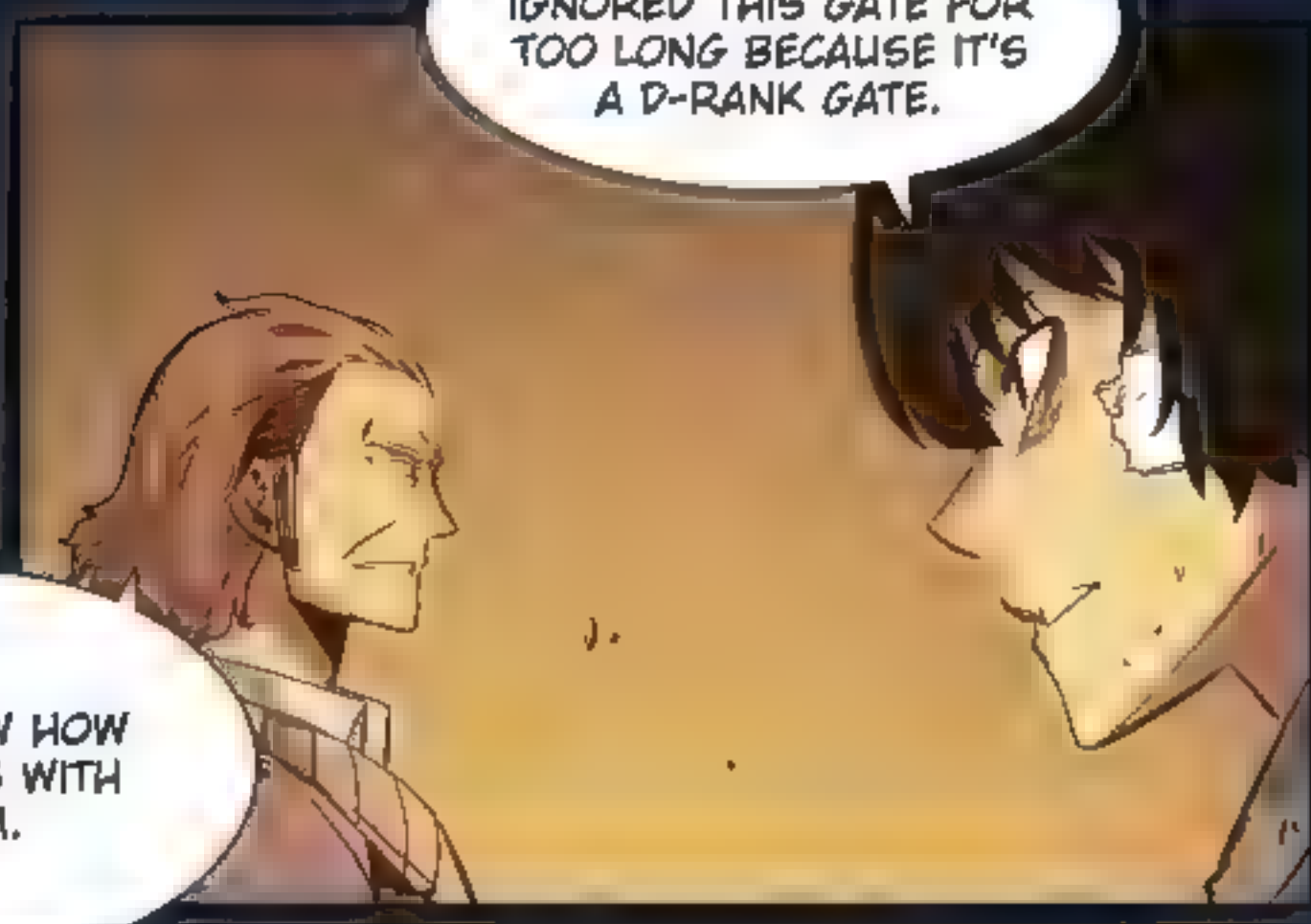
A comic panel showing three characters. On the left, a young man with black hair and a purple hoodie looks concerned. In the middle, a young woman with black hair and a purple top looks down. On the right, a man with brown hair and a purple shirt looks at them with a slight smile. They are standing in front of a large, dark, rocky structure that appears to be a gate.

TODAY IS THE
SEVENTH DAY THE GATE
HAS BEEN OPEN.



THOSE THINGS
WILL ACT BEFORE
ANY RESCUERS CAN
GET HERE.

A close-up comic panel of the gate, showing its rough, rocky texture and a large, arched opening. The lighting is dim, with some blue and purple hues.



THE ASSOCIATION HAS
IGNORED THIS GATE FOR
TOO LONG BECAUSE IT'S
A D-RANK GATE.

A comic panel showing two men in profile, facing each other. The man on the left has long brown hair and is wearing a purple shirt. The man on the right has short black hair and is wearing a purple shirt. They are standing in front of a large, dark, rocky structure.

YOU KNOW HOW
IT WORKS WITH
THEM.

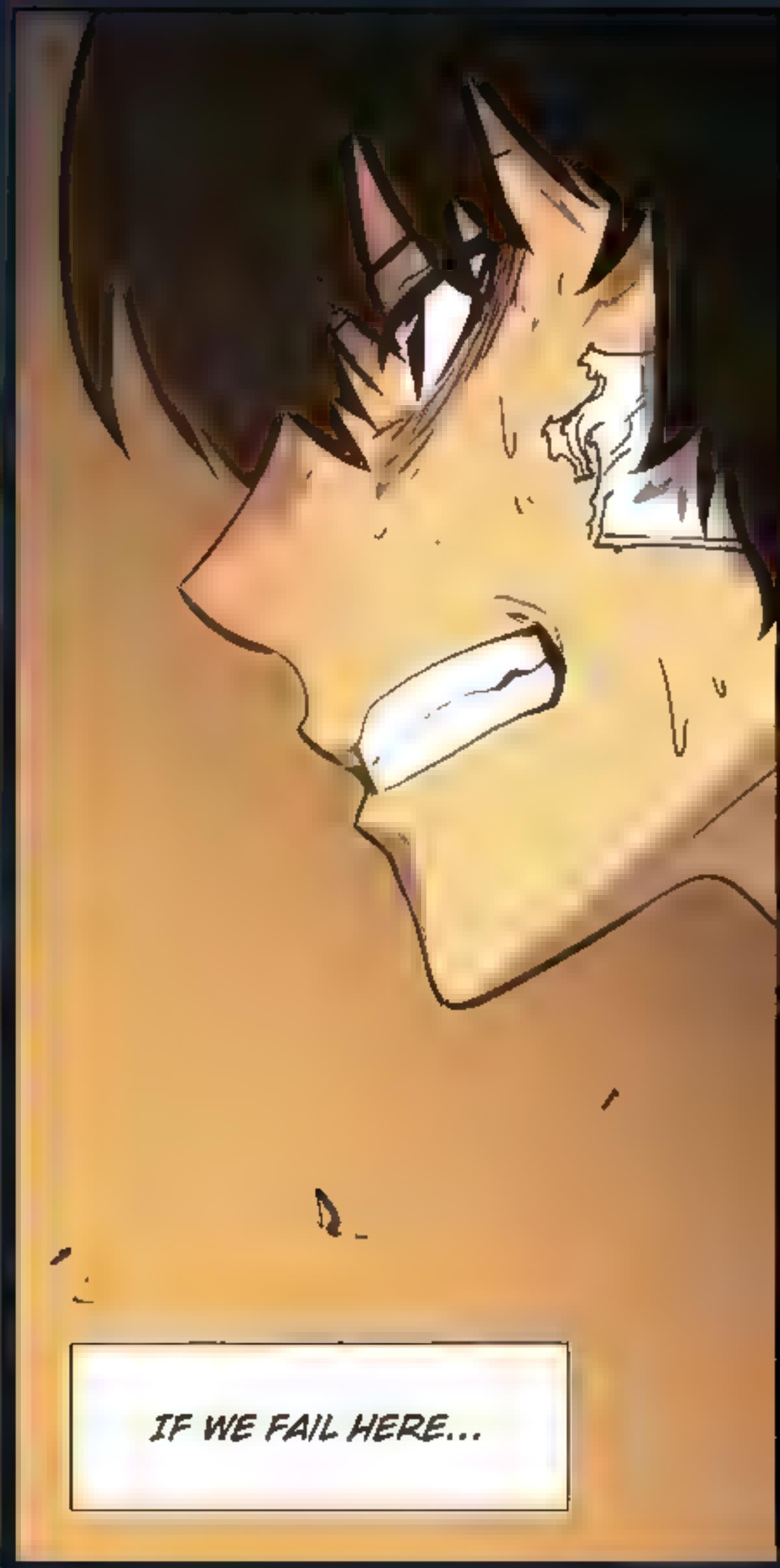


IT TAKES SEVEN
DAYS FOR A GATE TO
COMPLETELY OPEN.



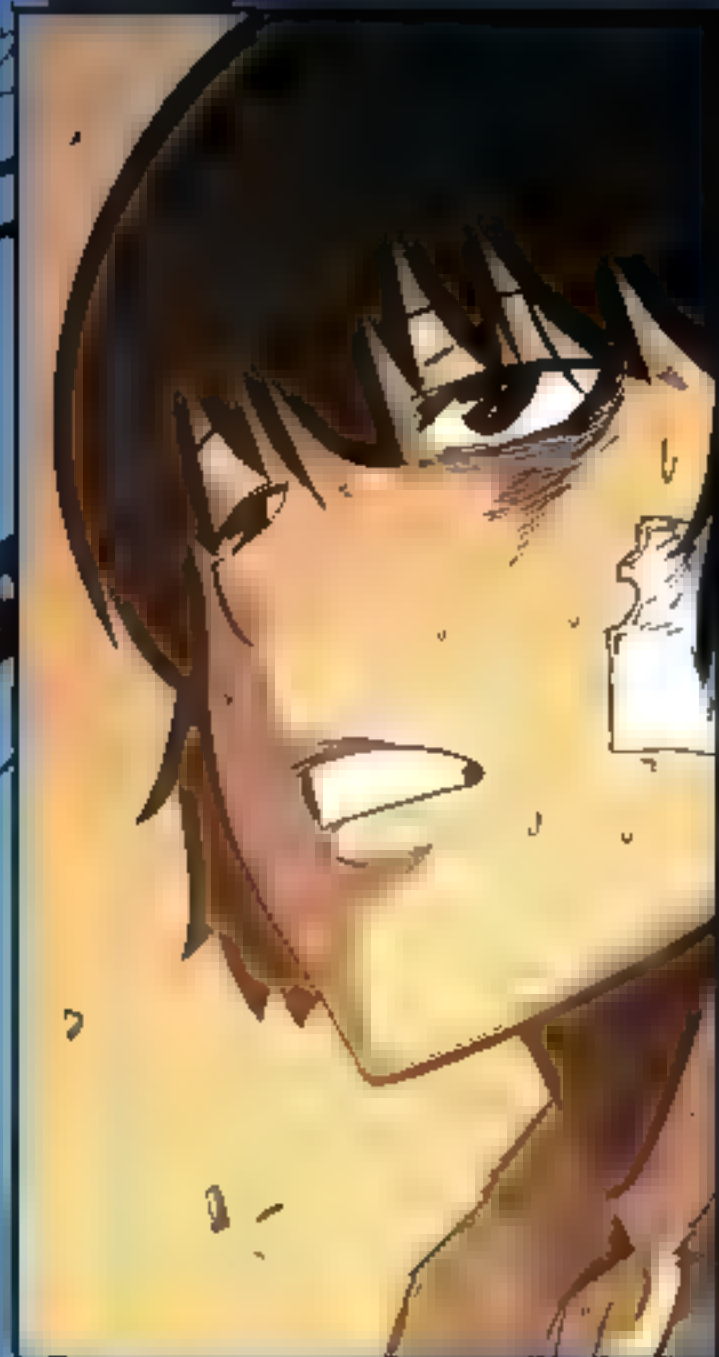
ONCE THE GATE IS FULLY
OPEN, THE MAGIC BEASTS
INSIDE ARE ABLE TO CROSS
OVER INTO OUR WORLD...

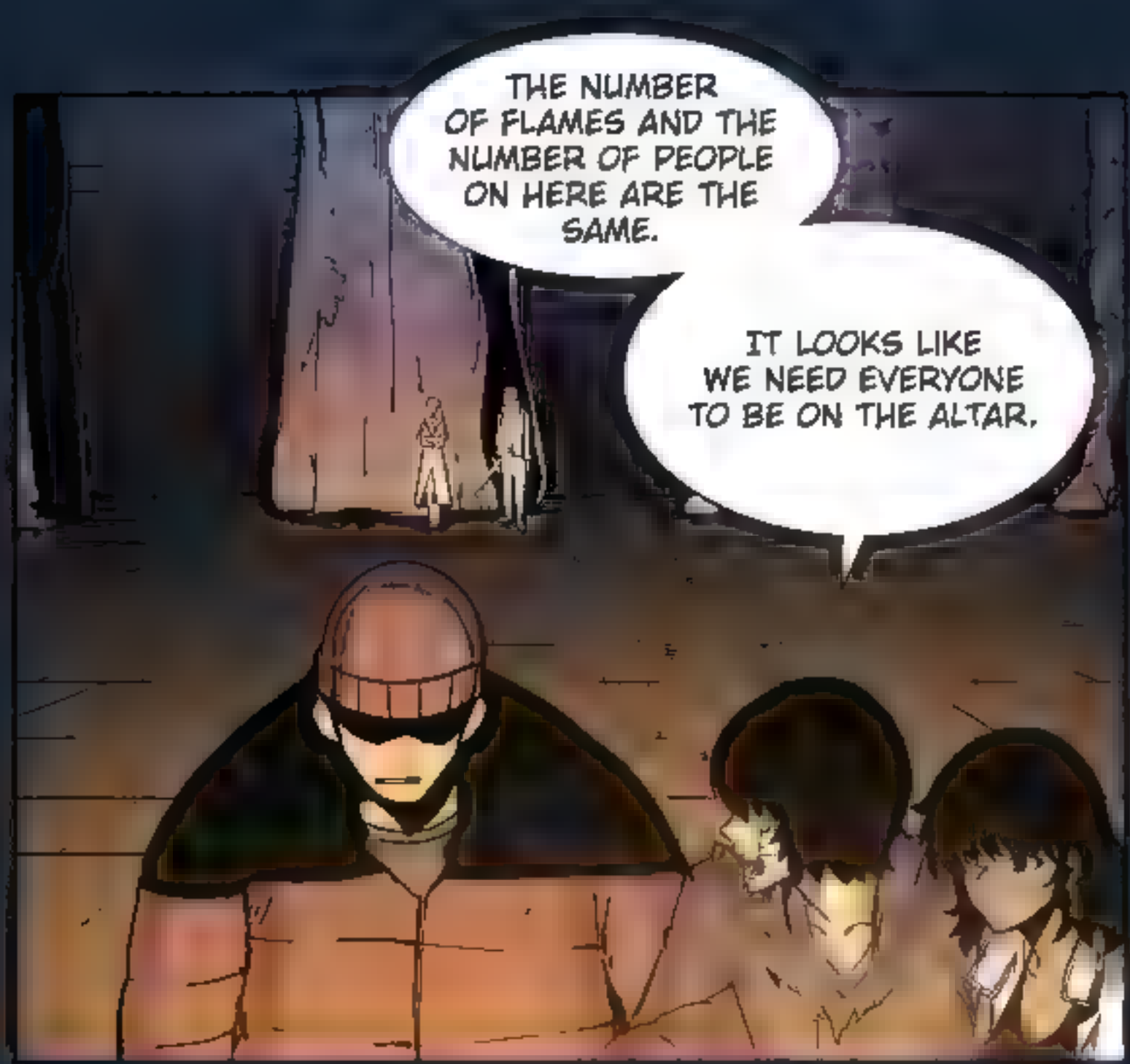
...SO A RAID'S PRIMARY
MISSION IS TO DEFEAT
THE BOSS TO CLOSE THE
GATE WITHIN THAT TIME.



IF WE FAIL HERE...

...THAT
THING WILL
GET OUT.

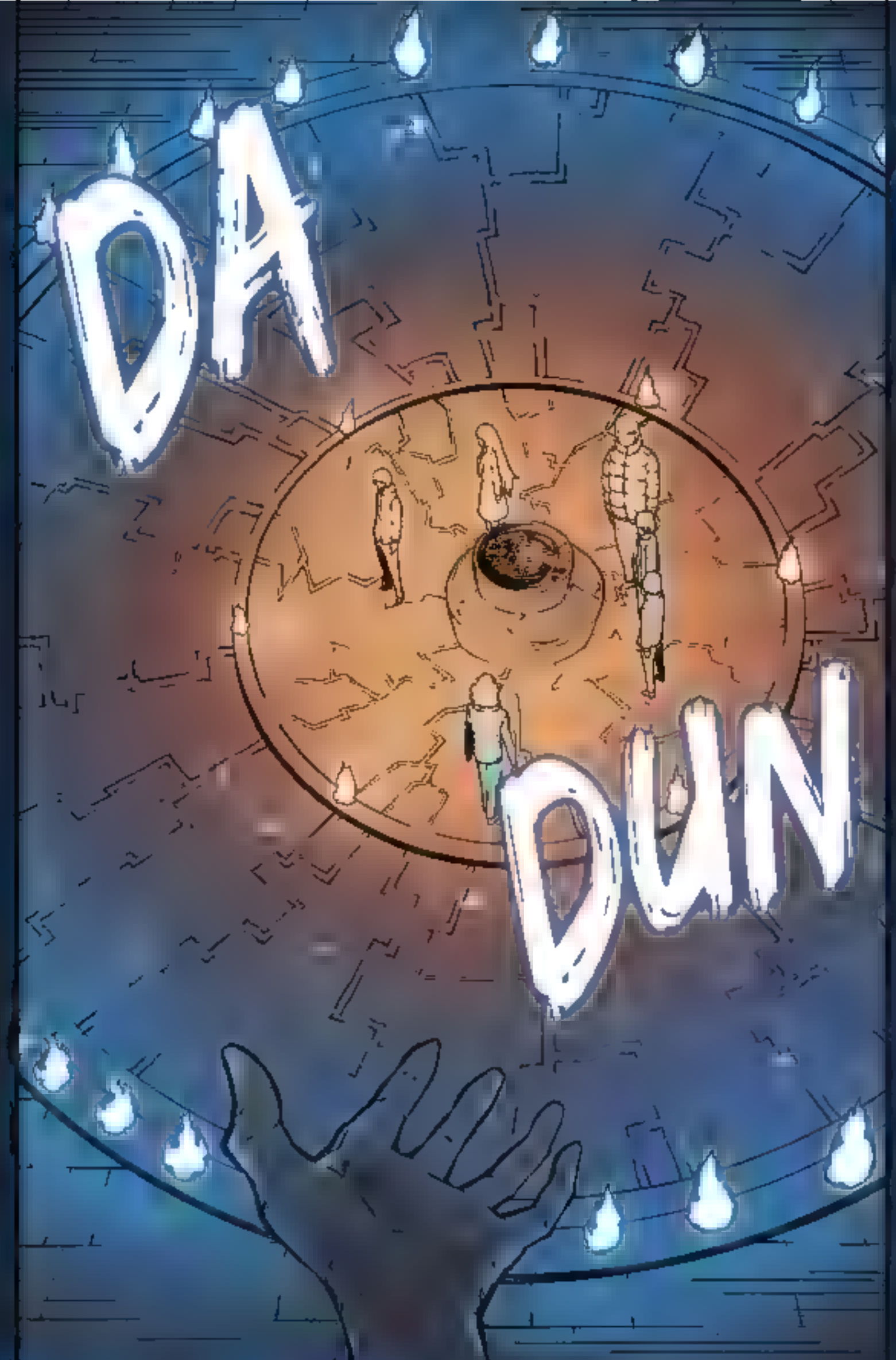




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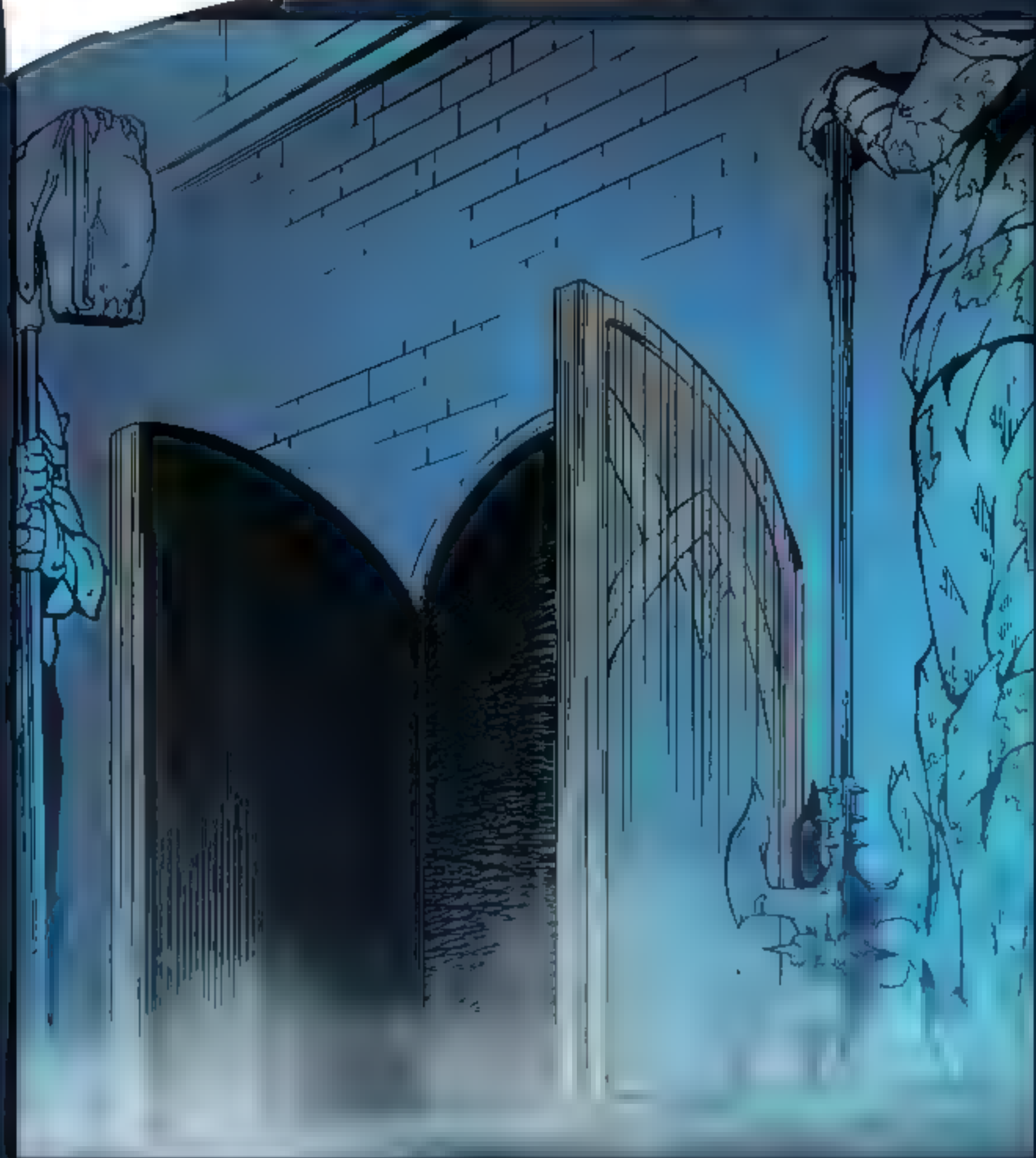






**KA
DOOM**







WHAT'S
GOING ON?!

CAN WE
LEAVE?



NO, SOMETHING
MIGHT HAPPEN...

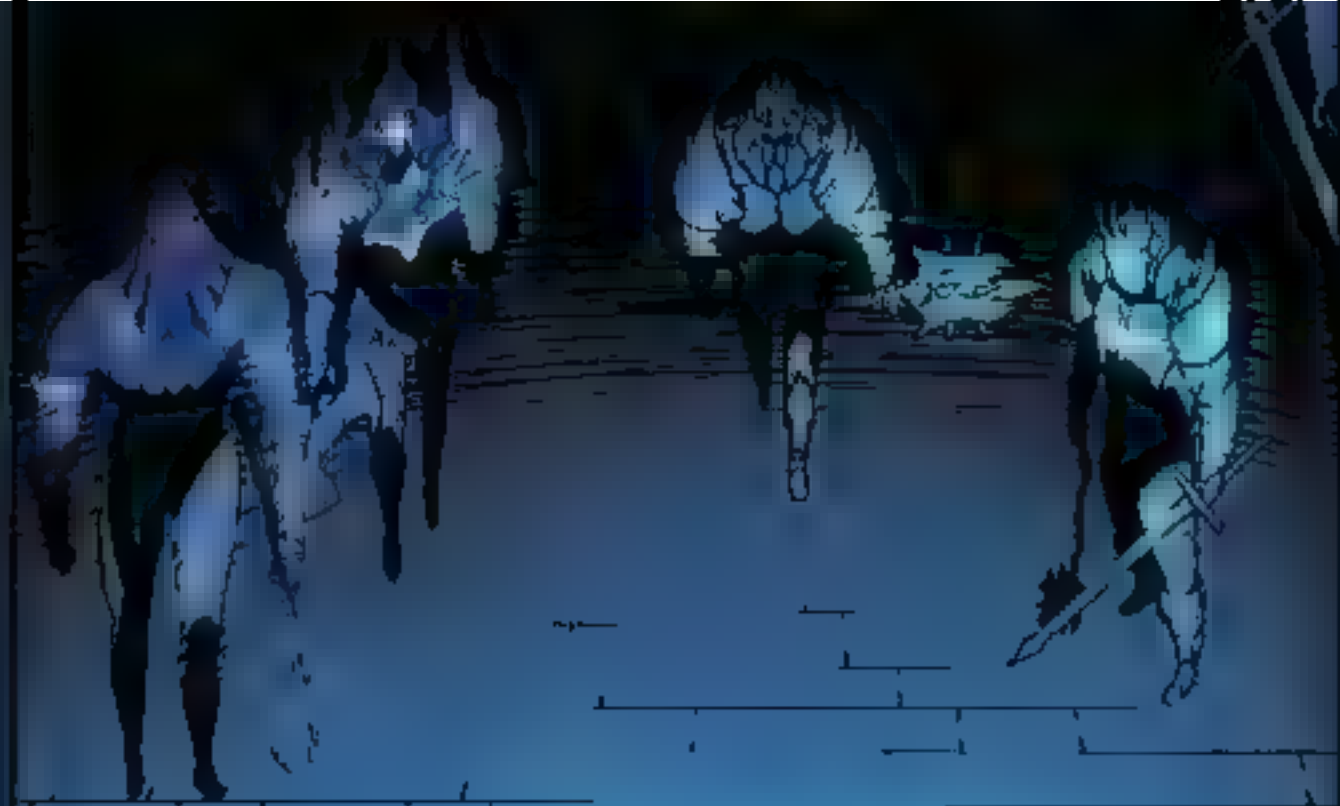
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THUD

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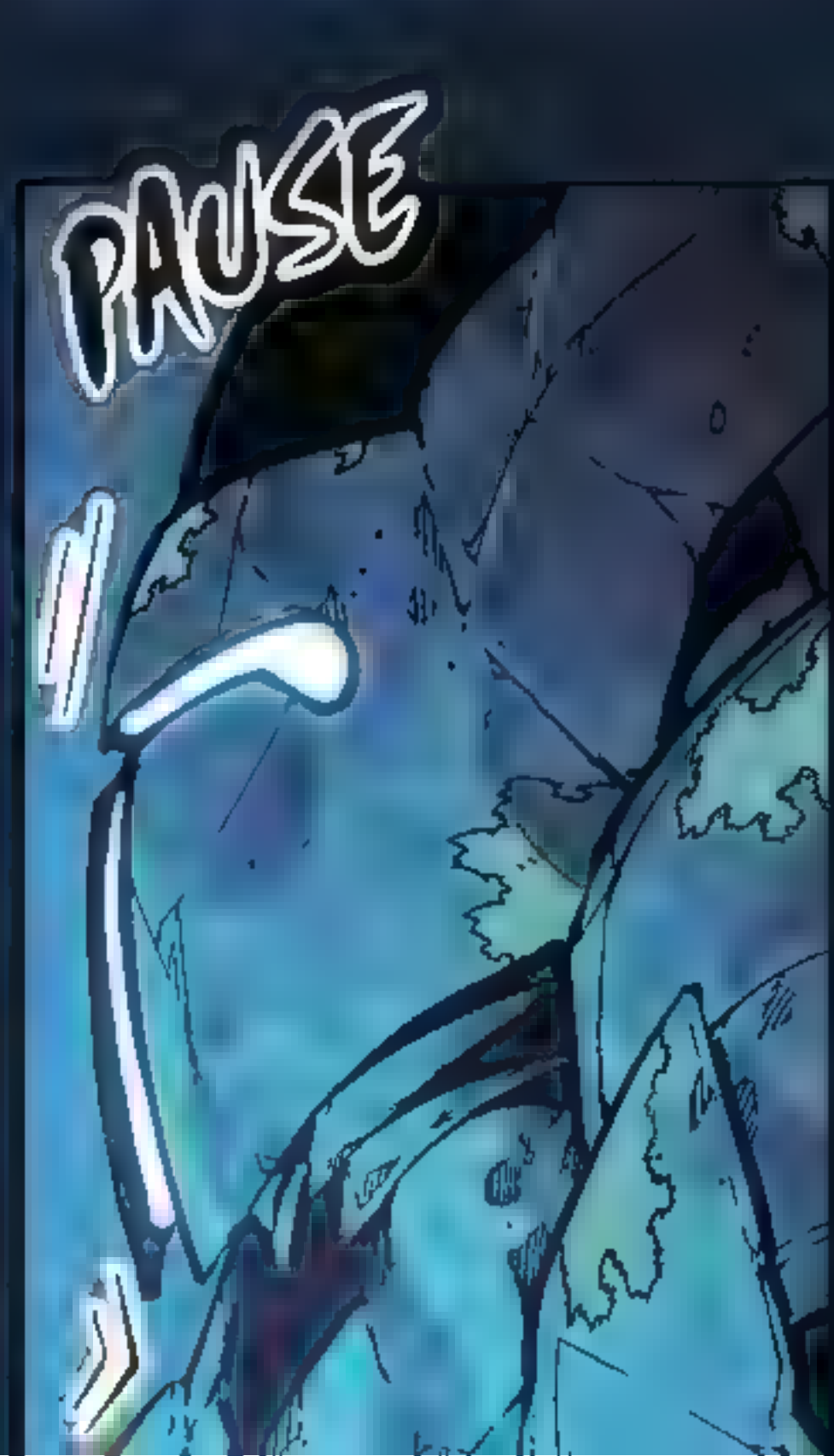
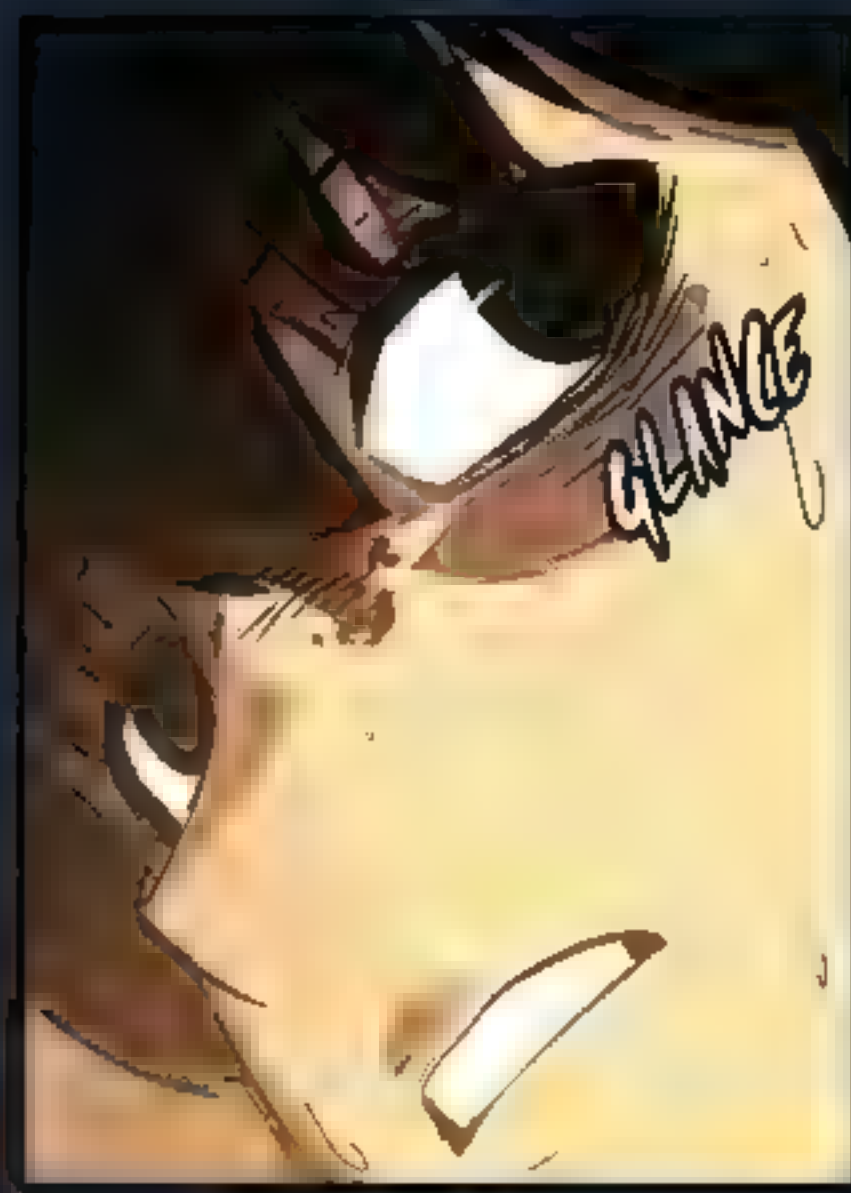
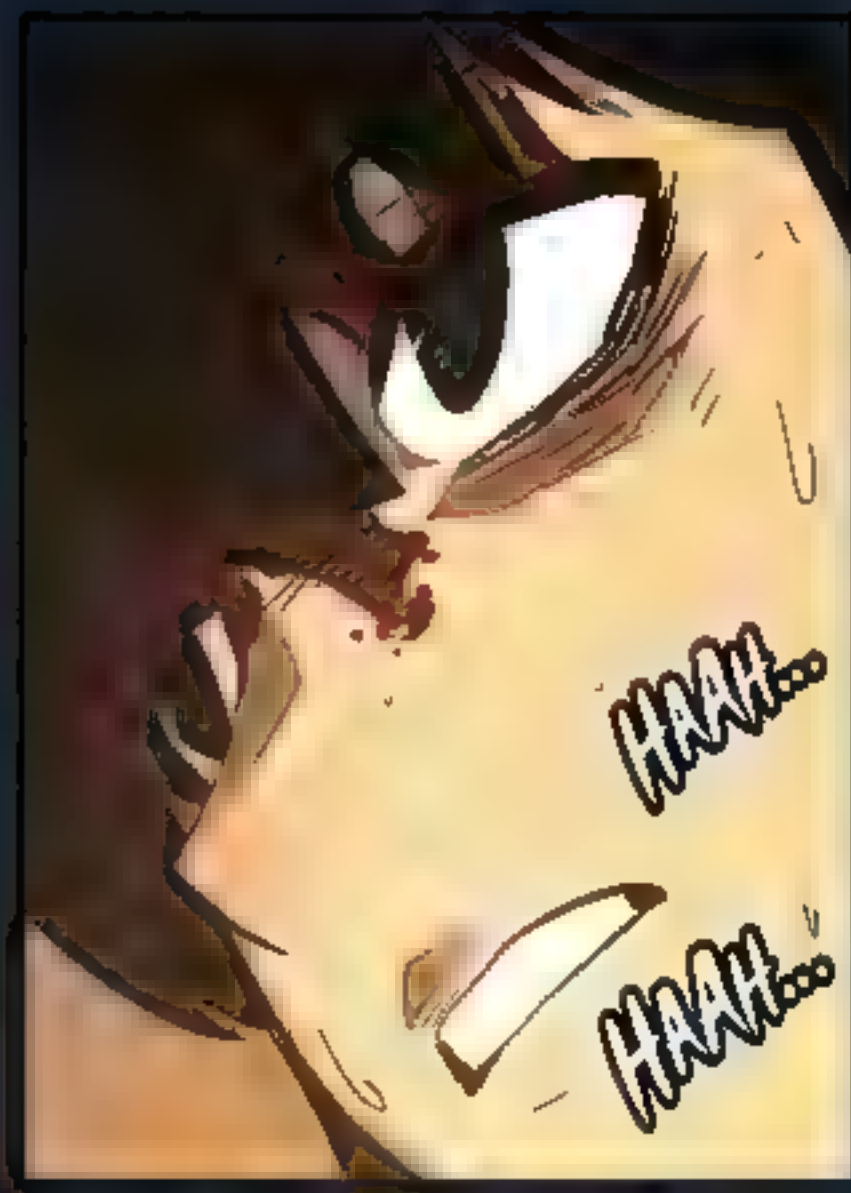
HWOOM

**WH-WHAT
DO WE DO?**

**WHAT
THE HELL IS
THIS?!**



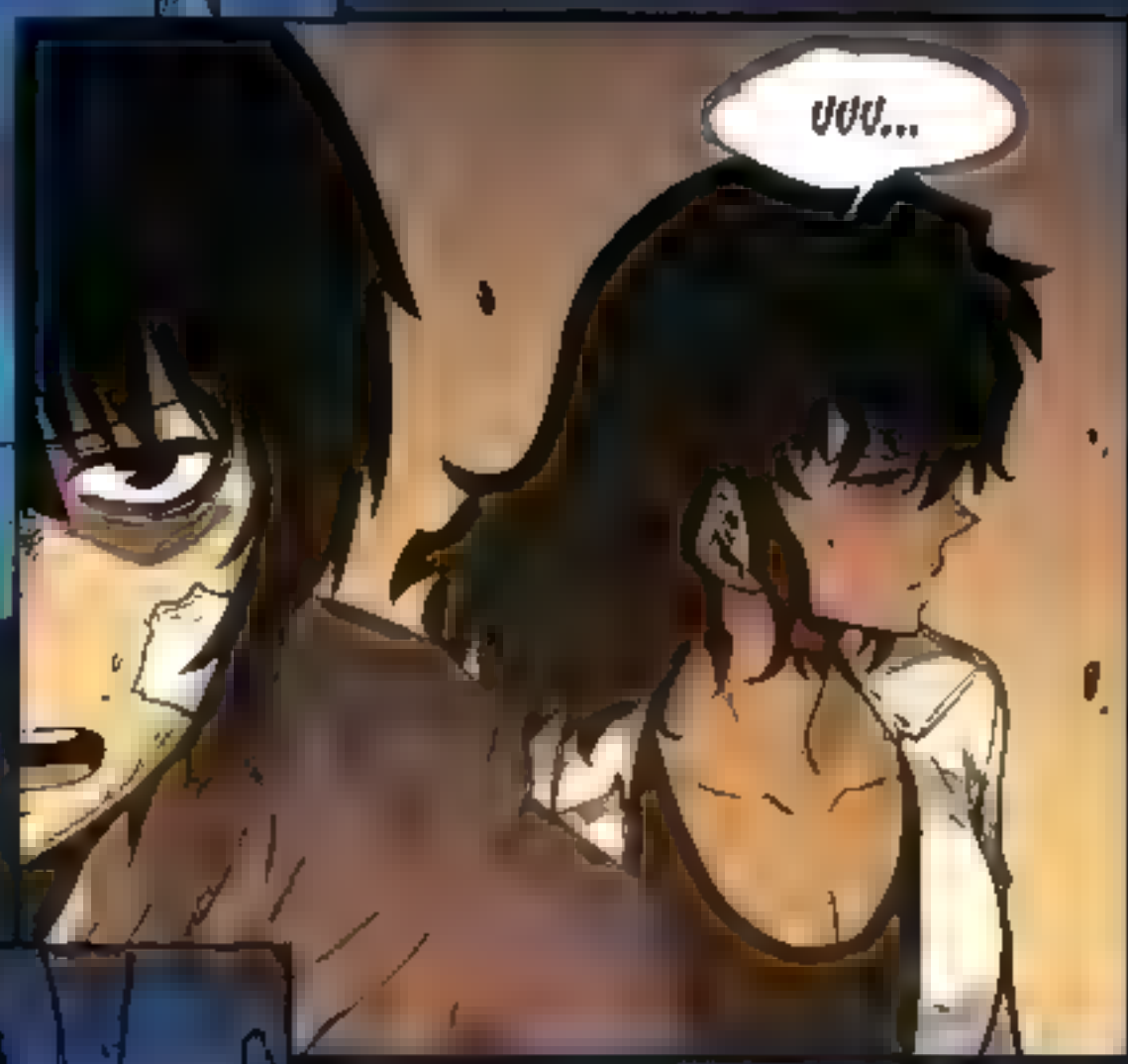








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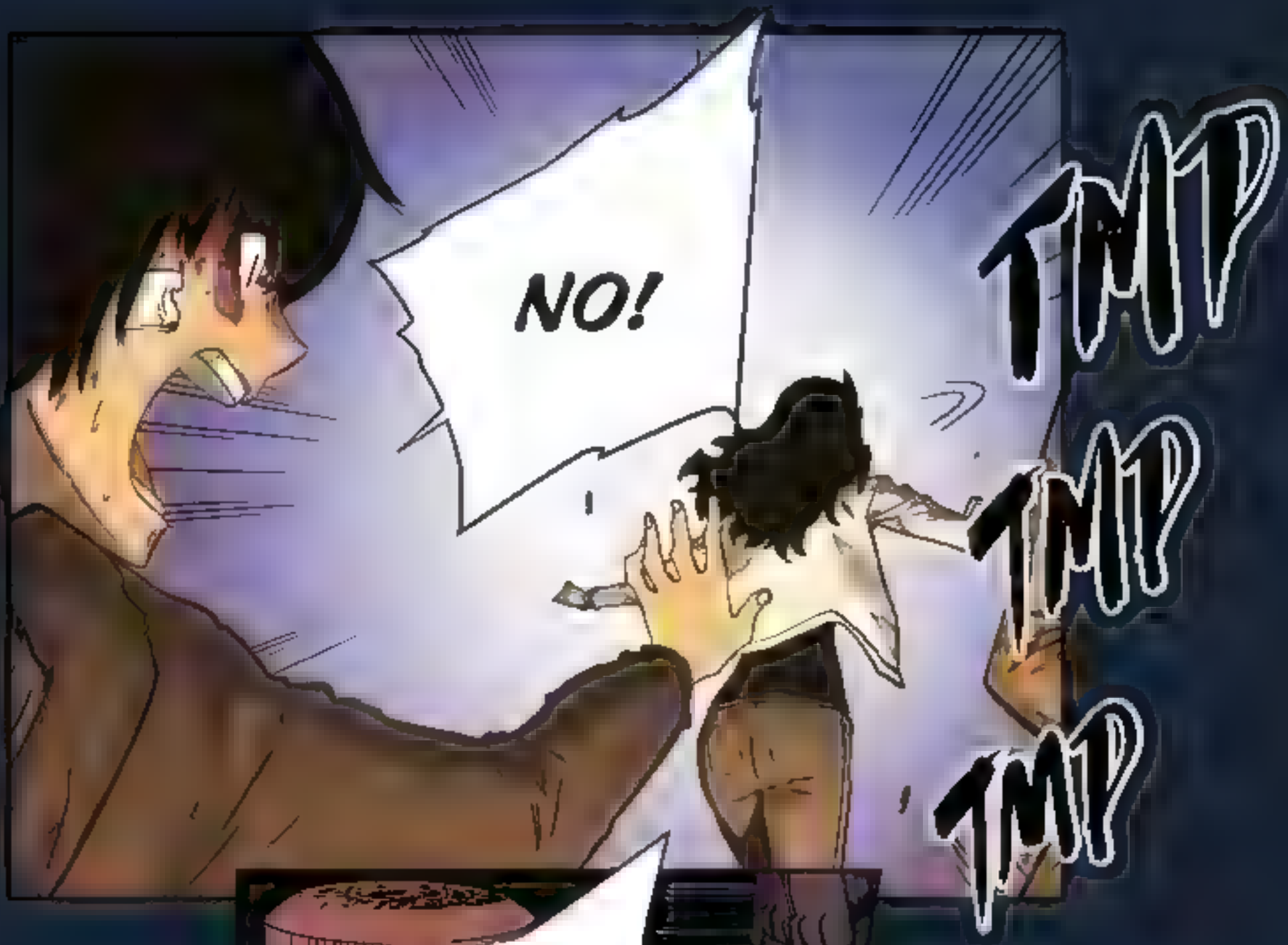
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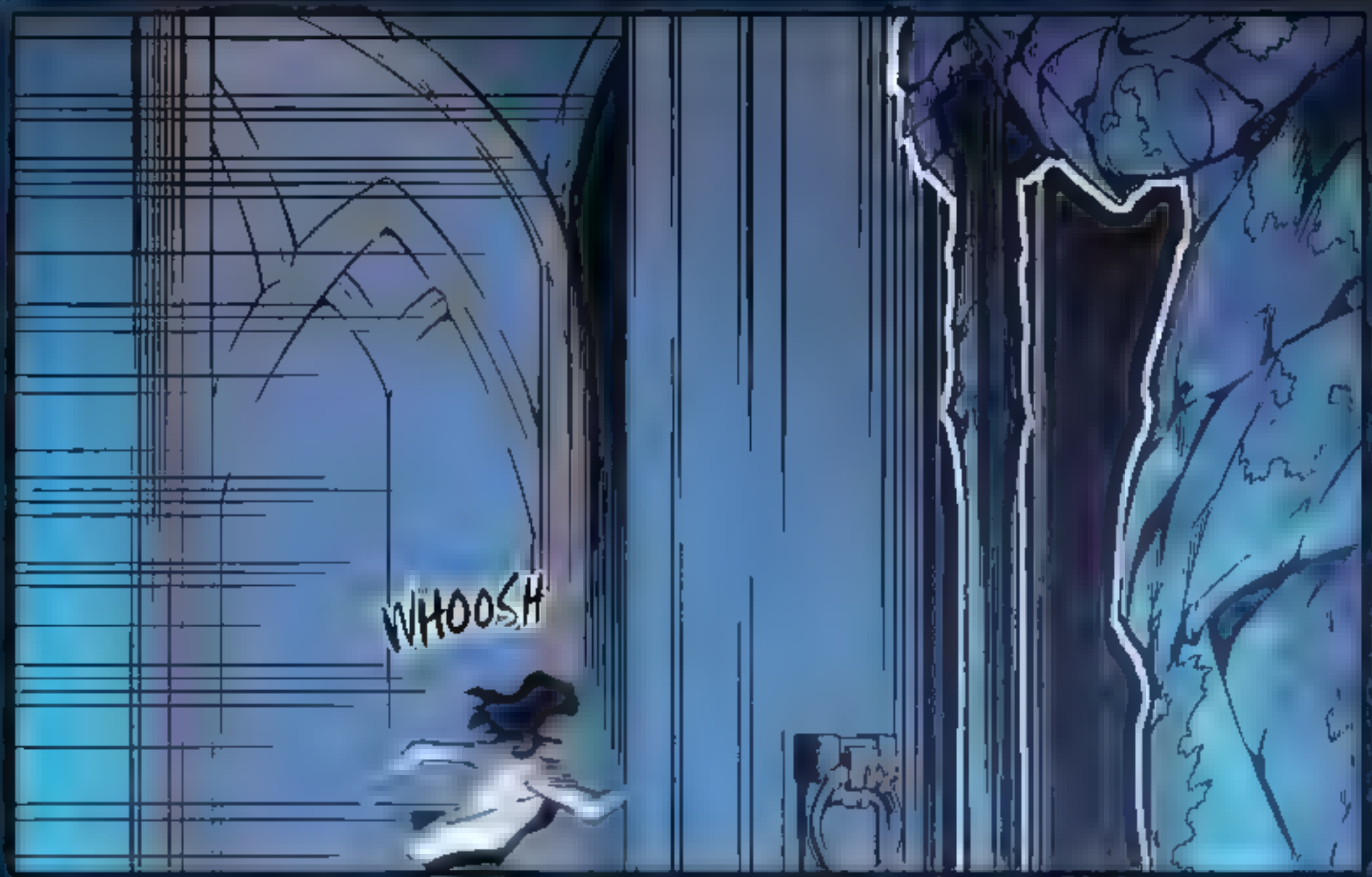


THUD



A
A
A
A
A
H!





WHAT JUST
HAPPENED,
SUNG?

SHE
GOT OUT!

THE DOORS
CLOSED A LITTLE
BIT, BUT...

...SHE MADE IT
OUT THE DOORS
SAFELY!

WHAT? WHAT'S
HAPPENING?

BLUE
FLAMES GO OFF
ONE BY ONE AS
TIME PASSES.

FFT

THERE WERE
THE SAME NUMBER
OF RED FLAMES
AND PEOPLE UNTIL
SHE LEFT, AND THEN
ONE WENT OUT.



THE FIRST
COMMANDMENT
WAS WORSHIPPING
GOD.

THE
SECOND ONE
WAS PRAISING
GOD.

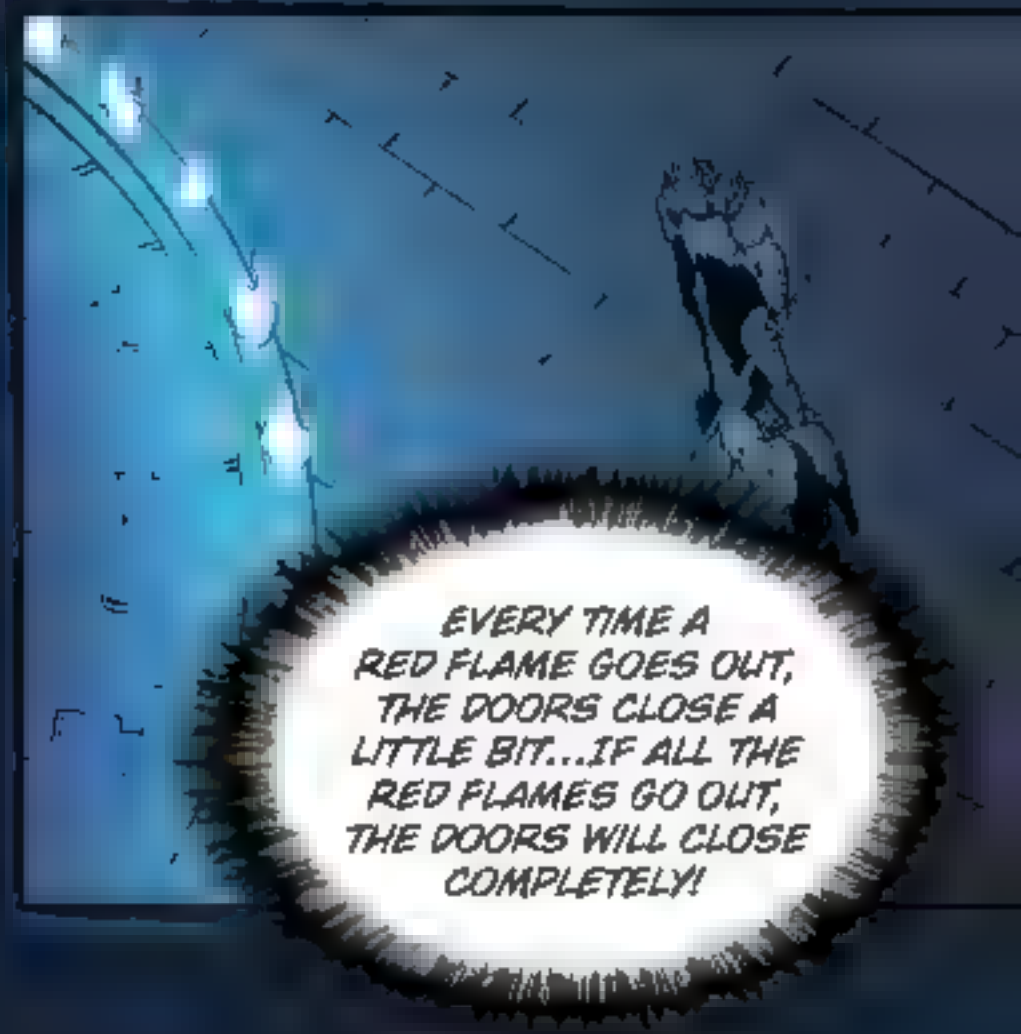


AT LEAST THE
SOLUTIONS WEREN'T
NONSENSE LIKE THE
SPHINX'S RIDDLE.

THE OPEN
DOORS ARE
ACTUALLY A TRAP.
THEY'RE FALSE
HOPE.



WHEN ALL THE RED
FLAMES ARE LIT, THE
DOORS ARE OPEN.



EVERY TIME A
RED FLAME GOES OUT,
THE DOORS CLOSE A
LITTLE BIT...IF ALL THE
RED FLAMES GO OUT,
THE DOORS WILL CLOSE
COMPLETELY!



**"PROVE
THY FAITH"
MEANS...**

**...WHILE AFRAID
AND UNDER
THREAT...**

**...BEING ABLE
TO RESIST
TEMPTATION!**



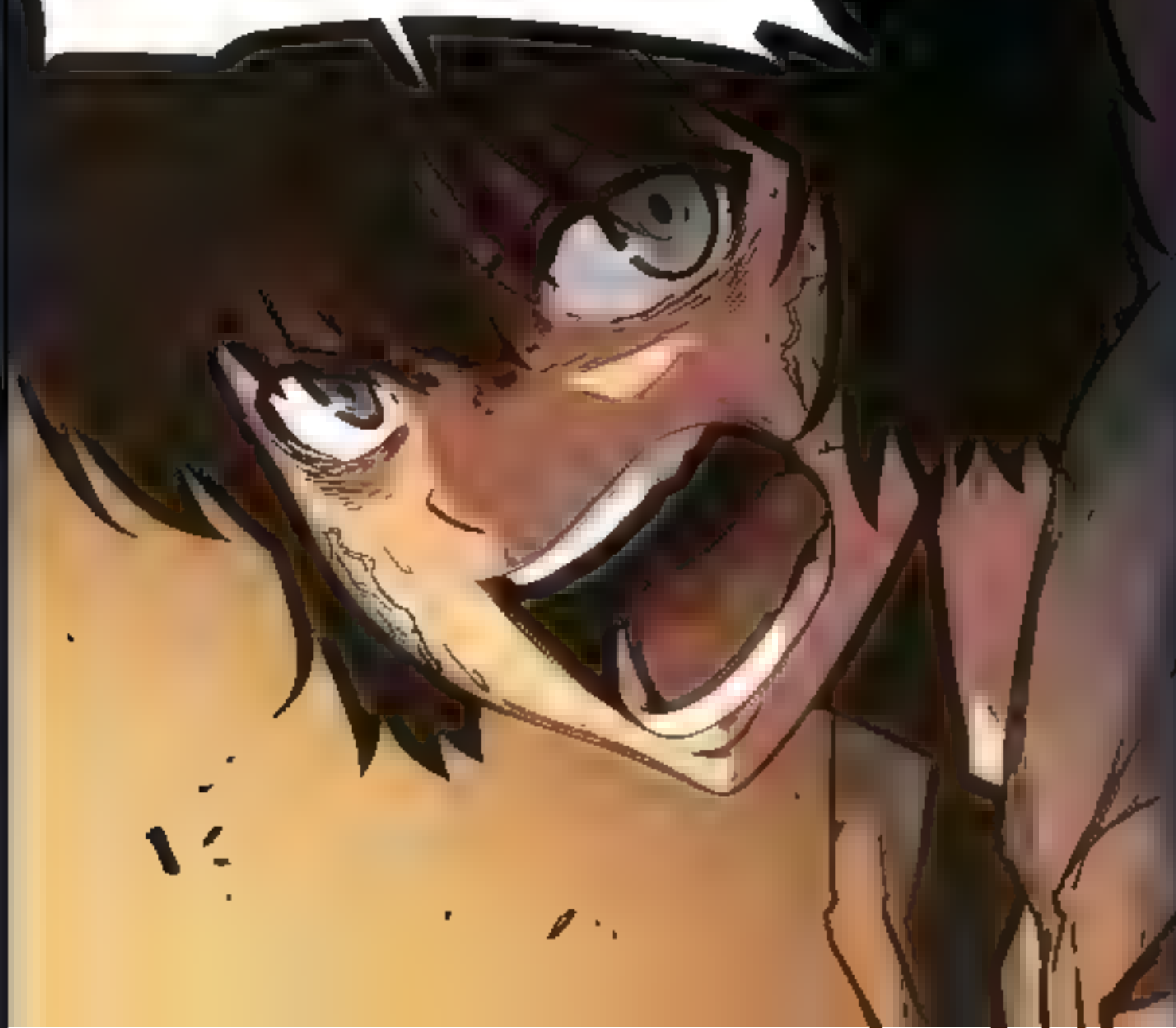
DASH

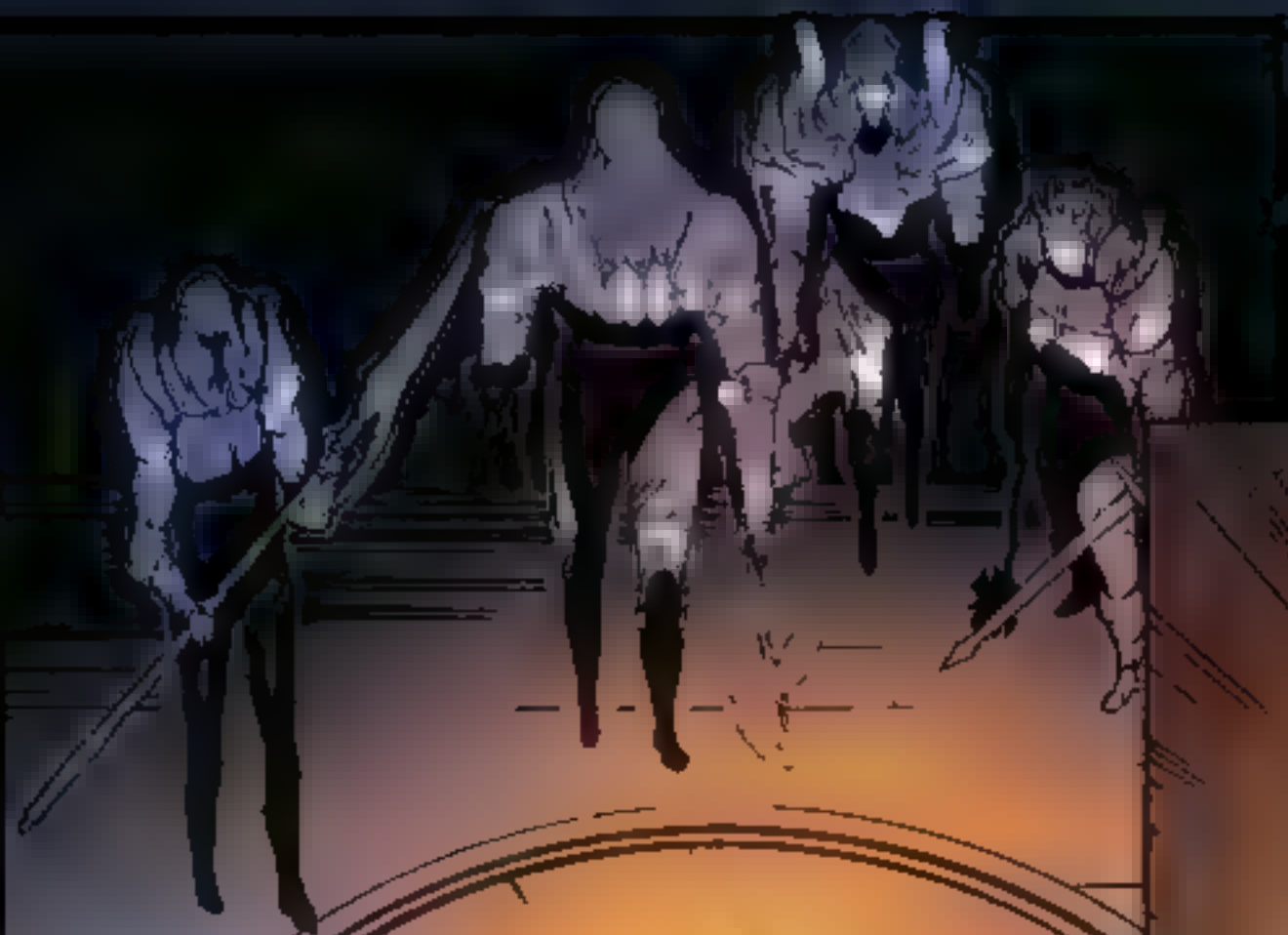


...HUH?
HUH?!



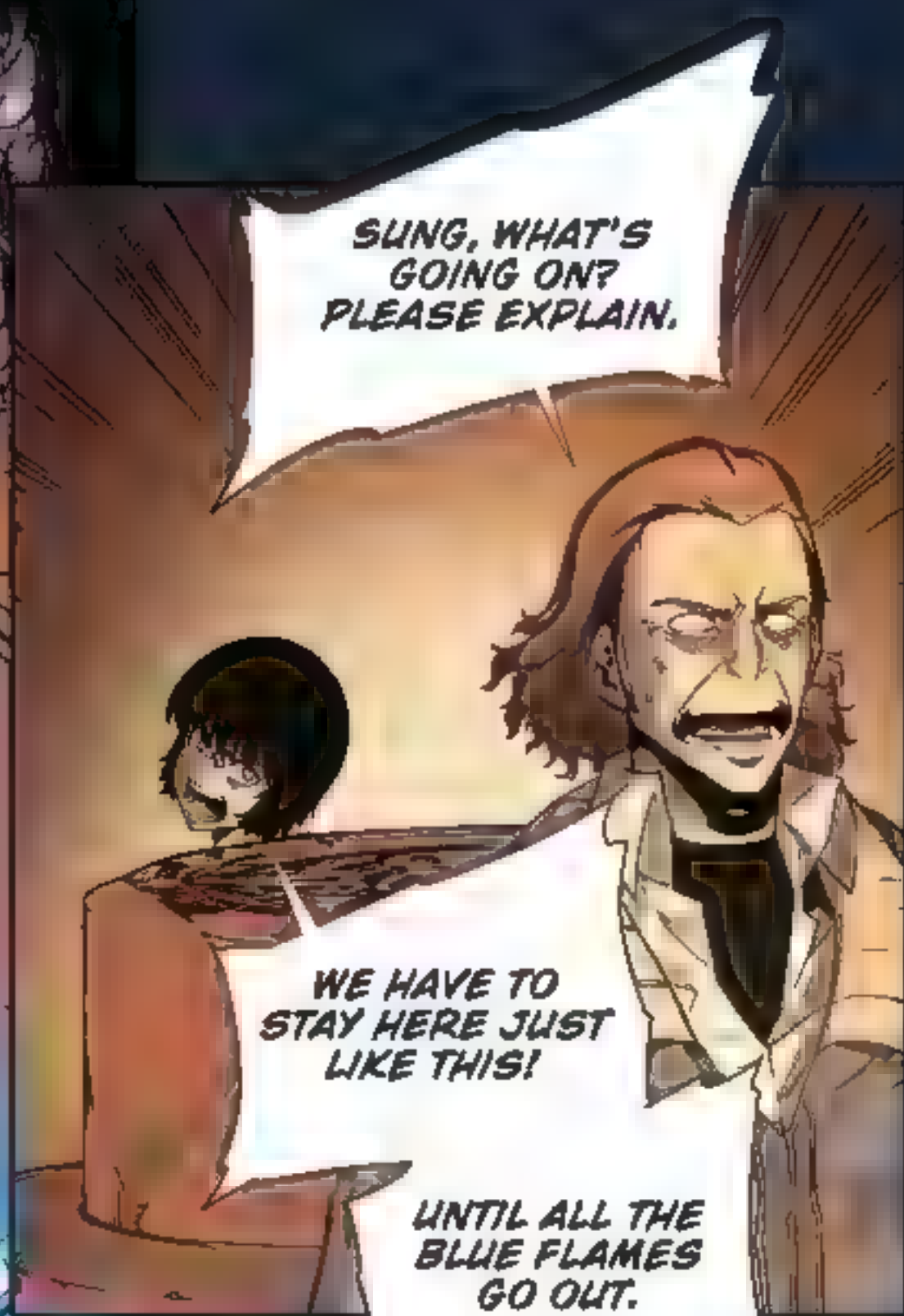
DO NOT MOVE!
WE CAN'T LOSE ANY
MORE PEOPLE!





**IF WE LOSE ONE
MORE, THERE WILL
BE A BLIND SPOT.
THEN WE'LL ALL DIE!**

**SUNG, WHAT'S
GOING ON?
PLEASE EXPLAIN.**

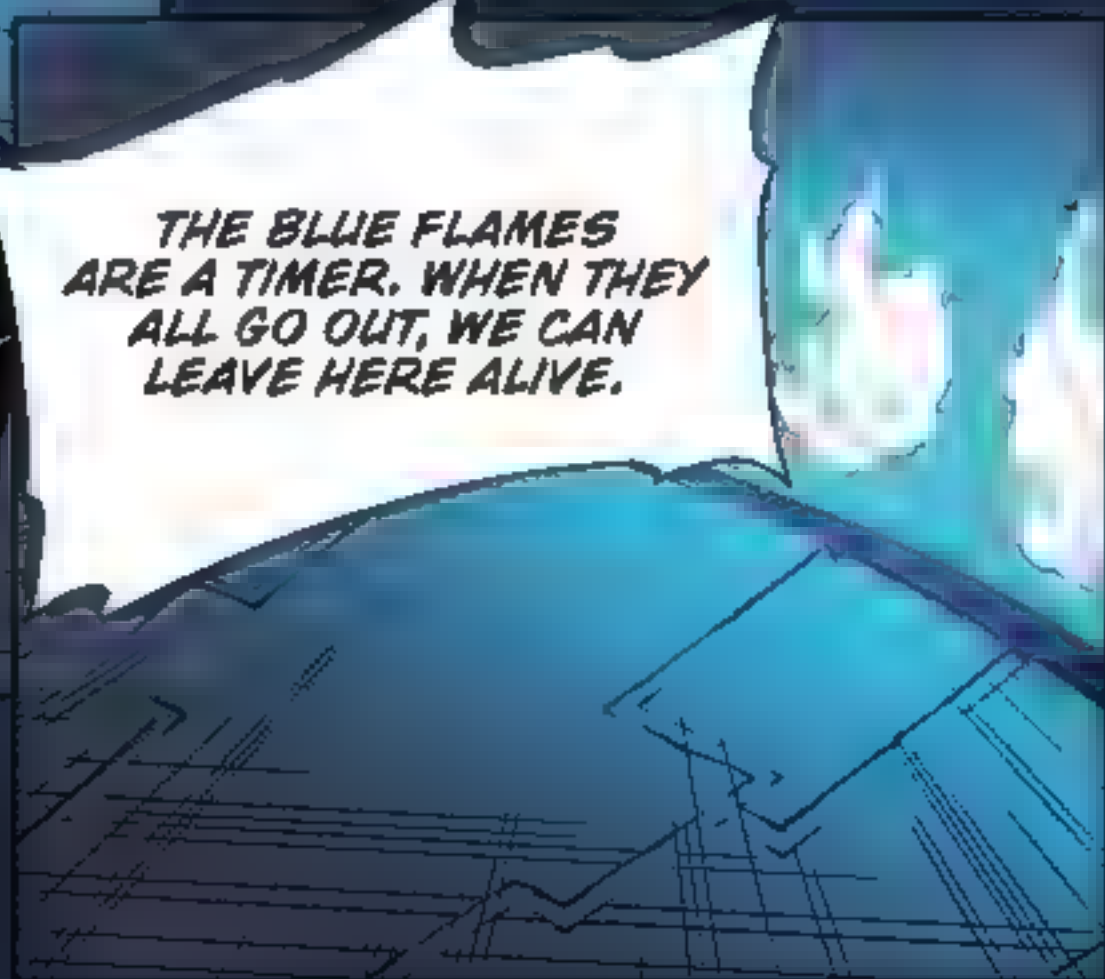


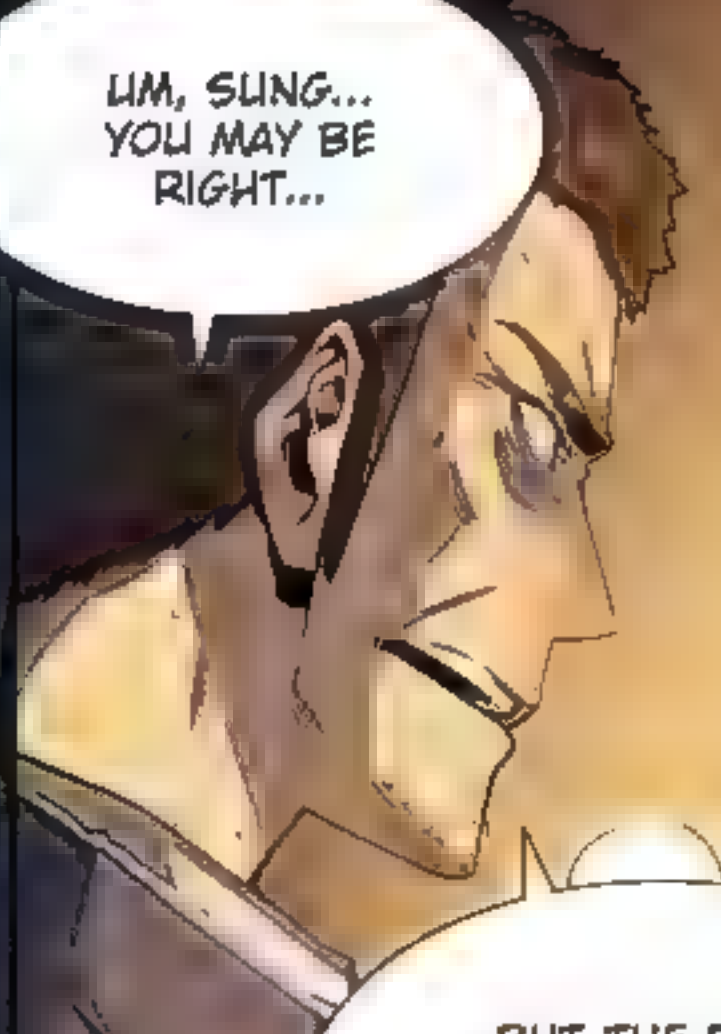
**WE HAVE TO
STAY HERE JUST
LIKE THIS!**

**UNTIL ALL THE
BLUE FLAMES
GO OUT.**

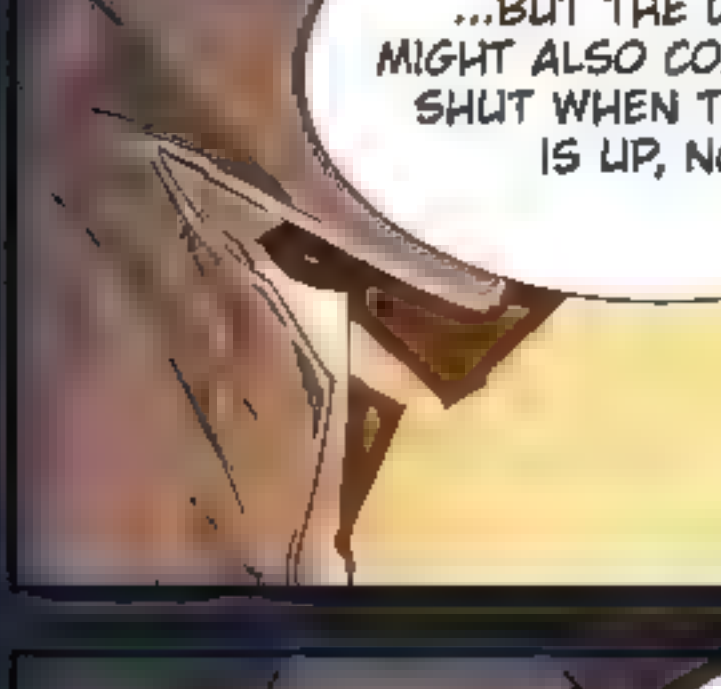


**THE BLUE FLAMES
ARE A TIMER. WHEN THEY
ALL GO OUT, WE CAN
LEAVE HERE ALIVE.**

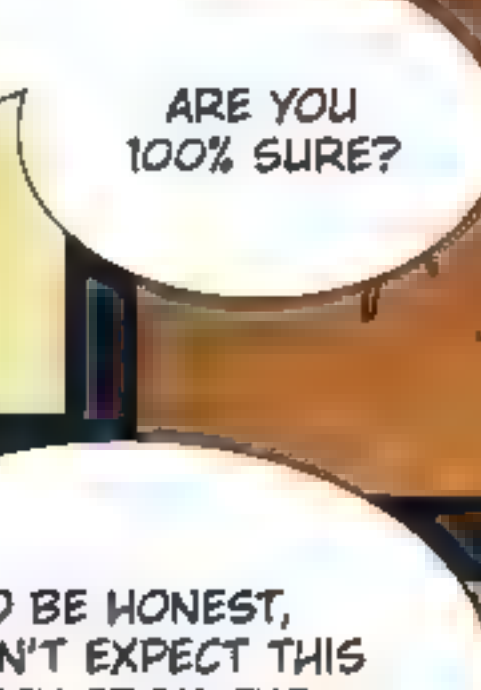




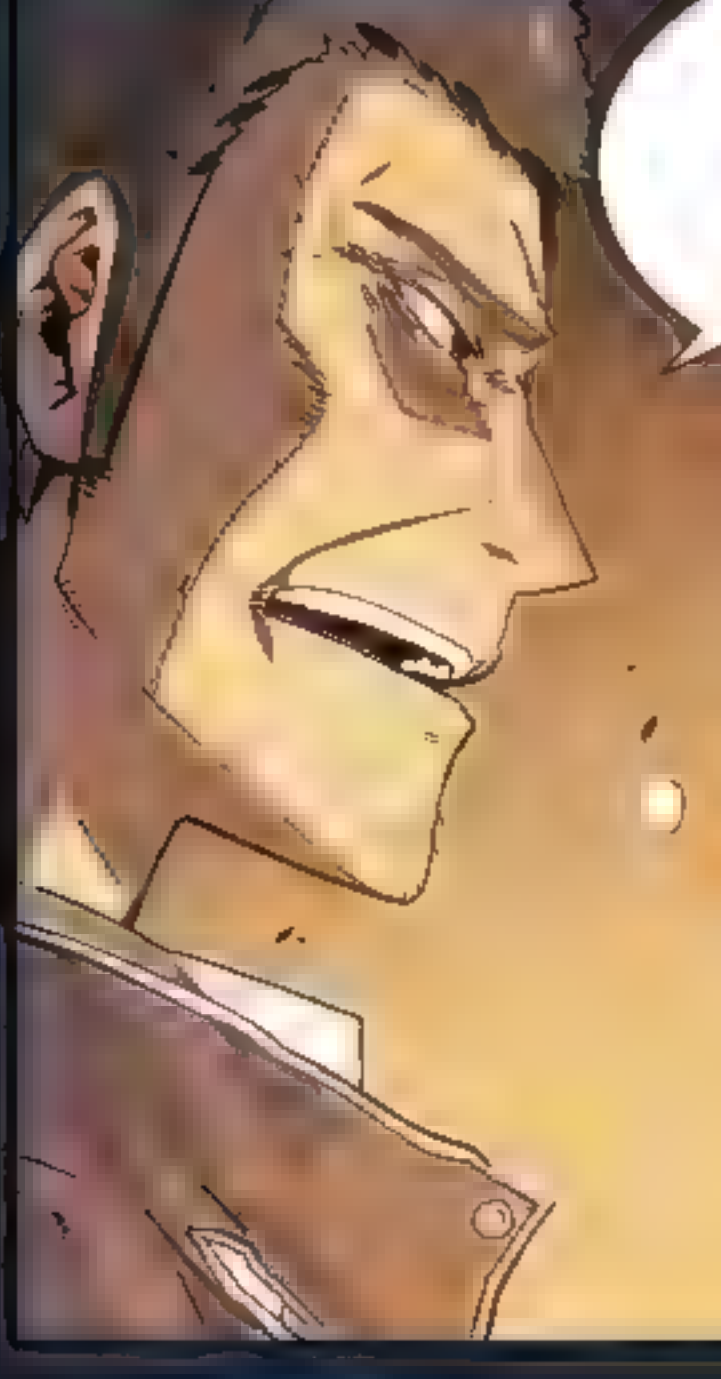
UM, SUNG...
YOU MAY BE
RIGHT...



...BUT THE DOORS
MIGHT ALSO COMPLETELY
SHUT WHEN THE TIME
IS UP, NO?



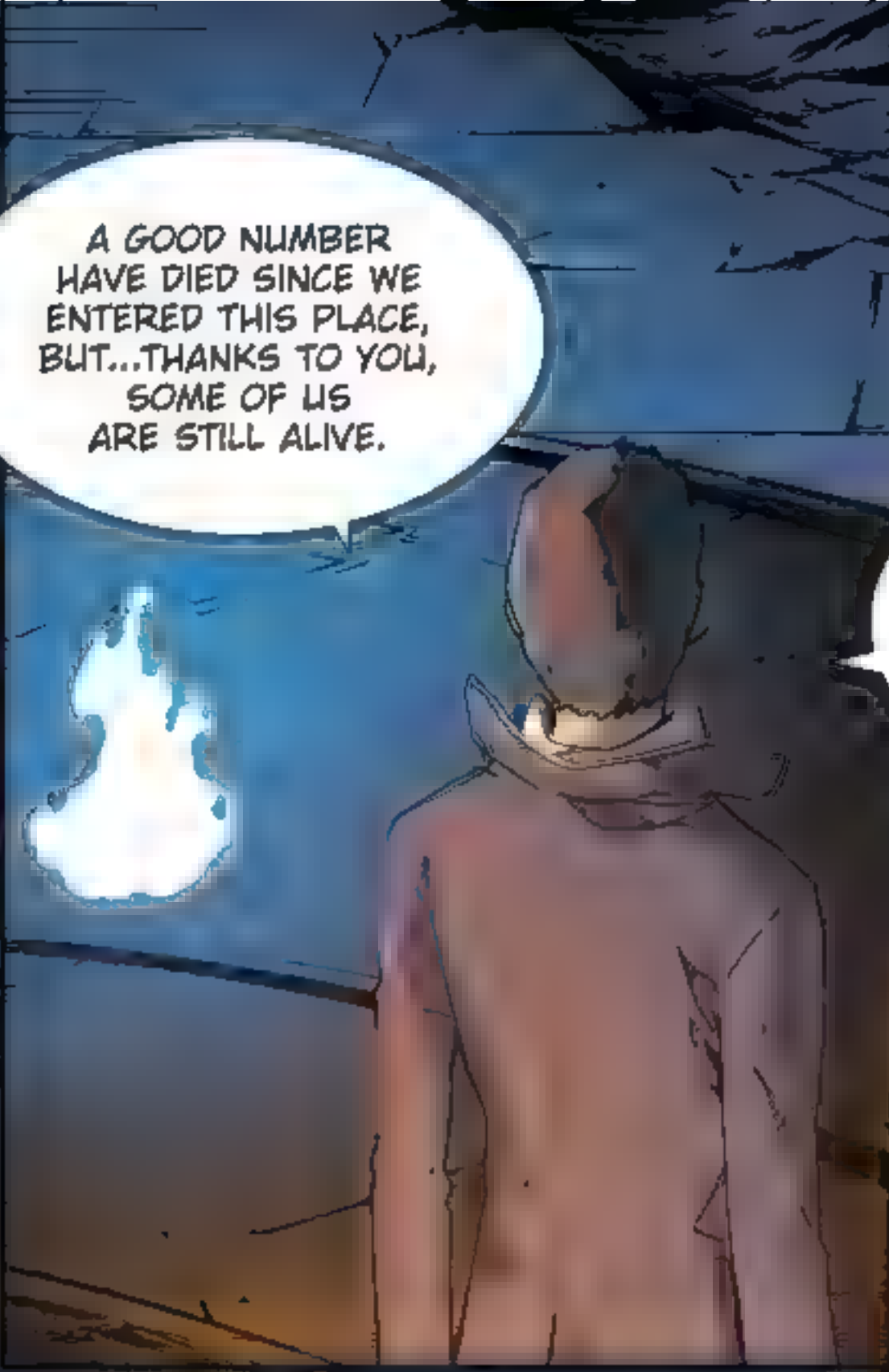
ARE YOU
100% SURE?



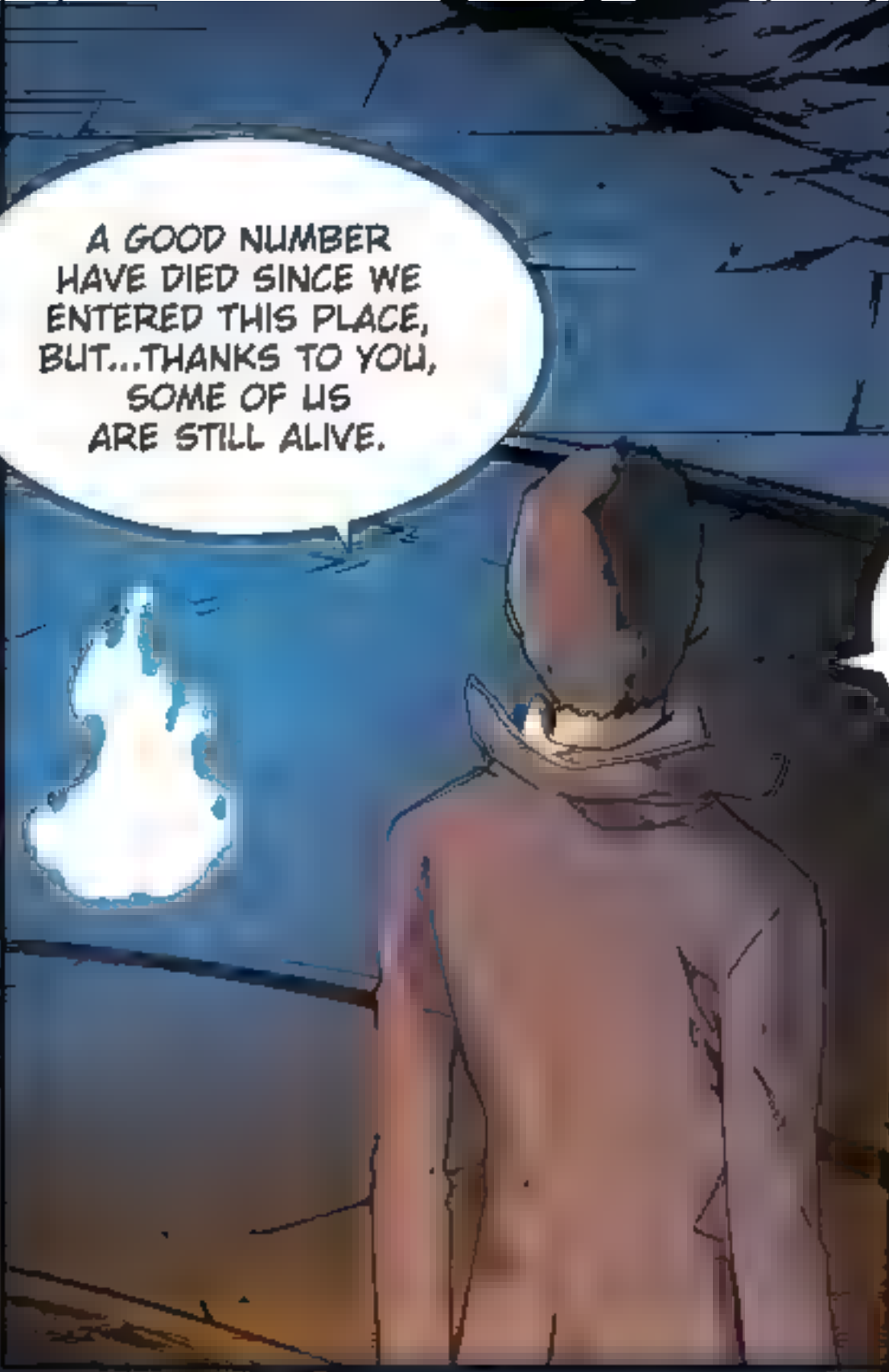
TO BE HONEST,
I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS
MUCH FROM THE
WEAKEST HUNTER.



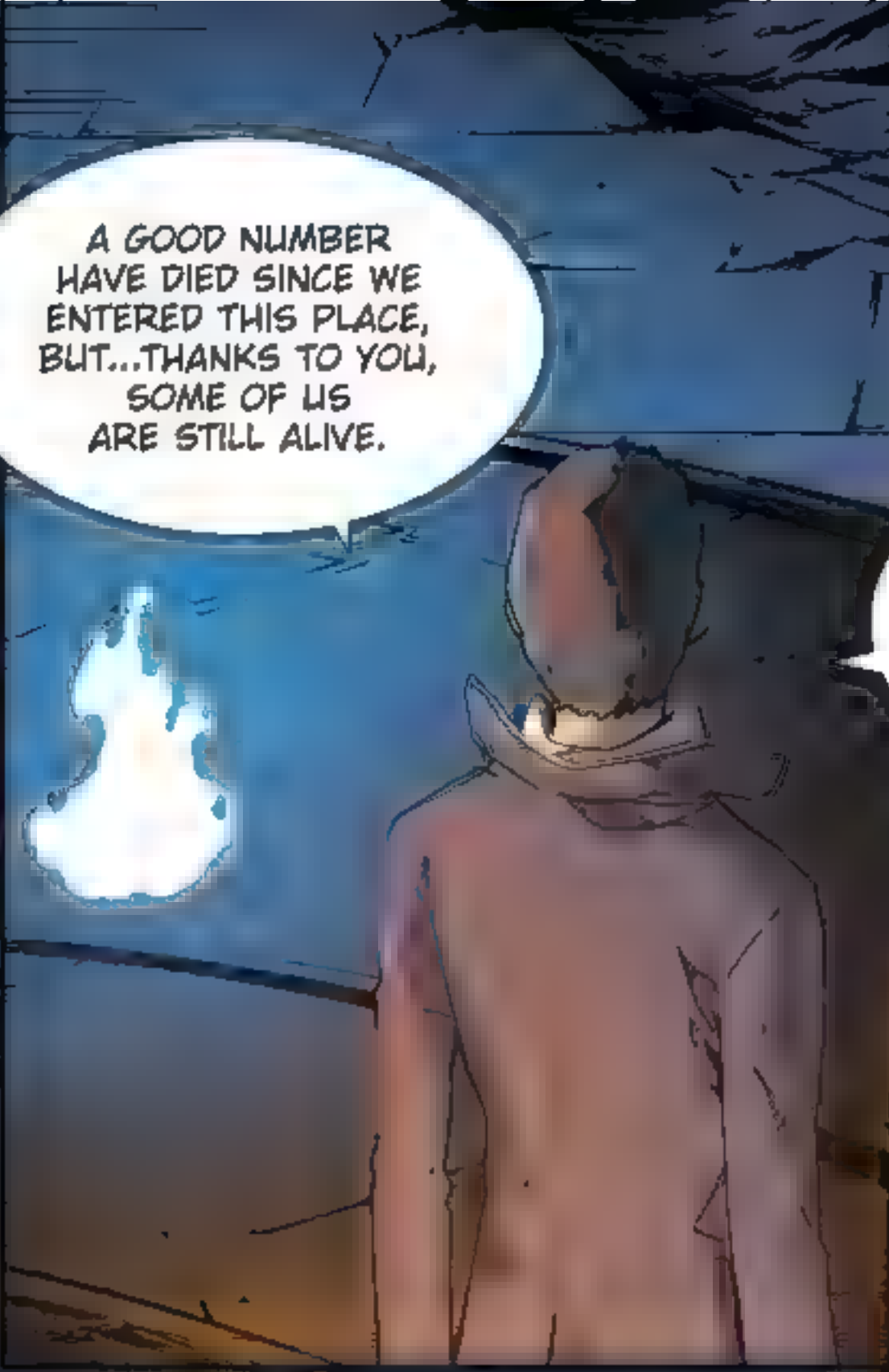
I'VE ALWAYS
LOOKED DOWN ON YOU.
EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE
IN OUR PARTY, I ASSUMED
YOU WOULDN'T CONTRIBUTE
ANYTHING.



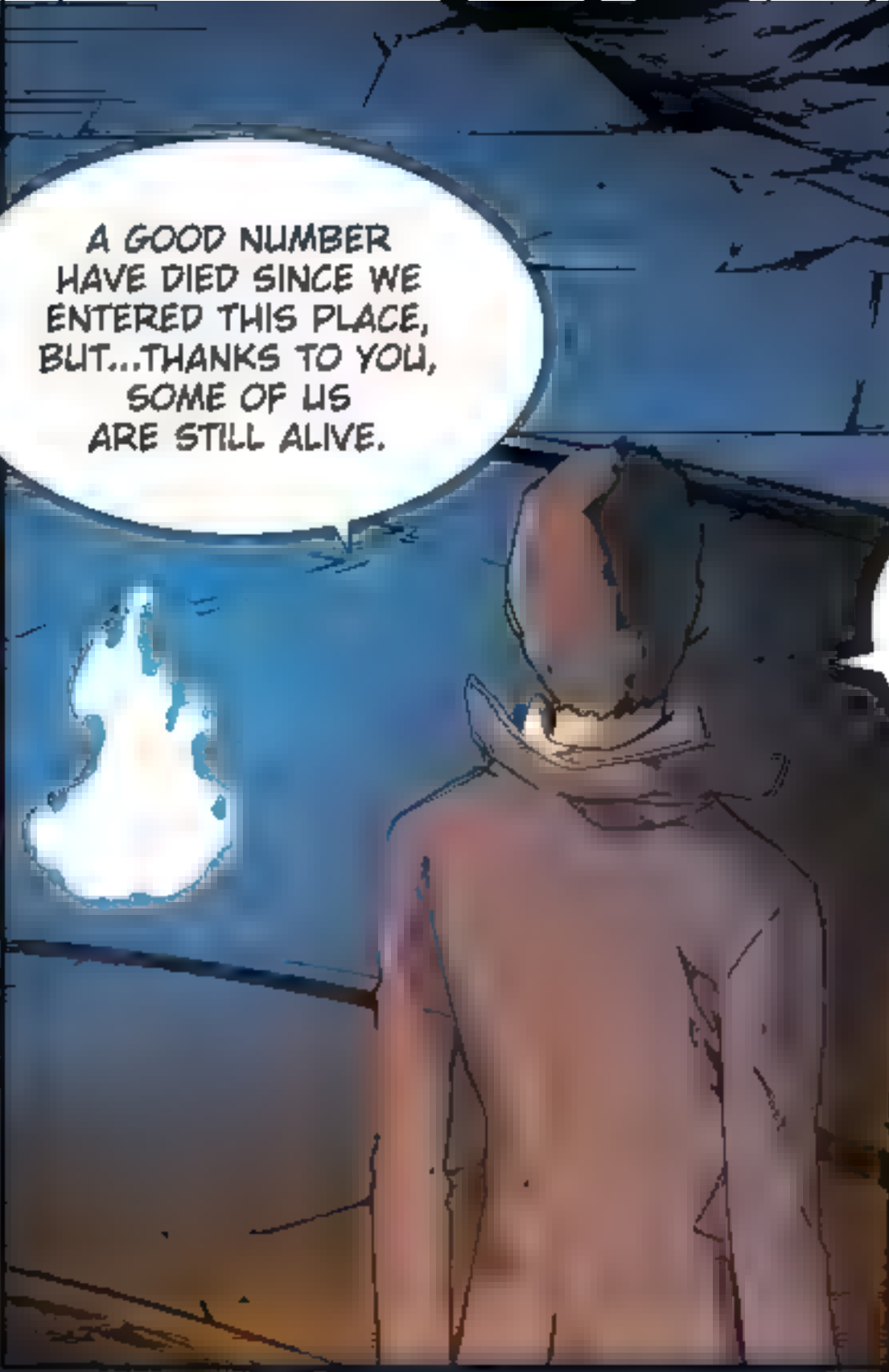
A GOOD NUMBER
HAVE DIED SINCE WE
ENTERED THIS PLACE,
BUT...THANKS TO YOU,
SOME OF US
ARE STILL ALIVE.



BECAUSE
YOU SOLVED THE
RIDDLES...



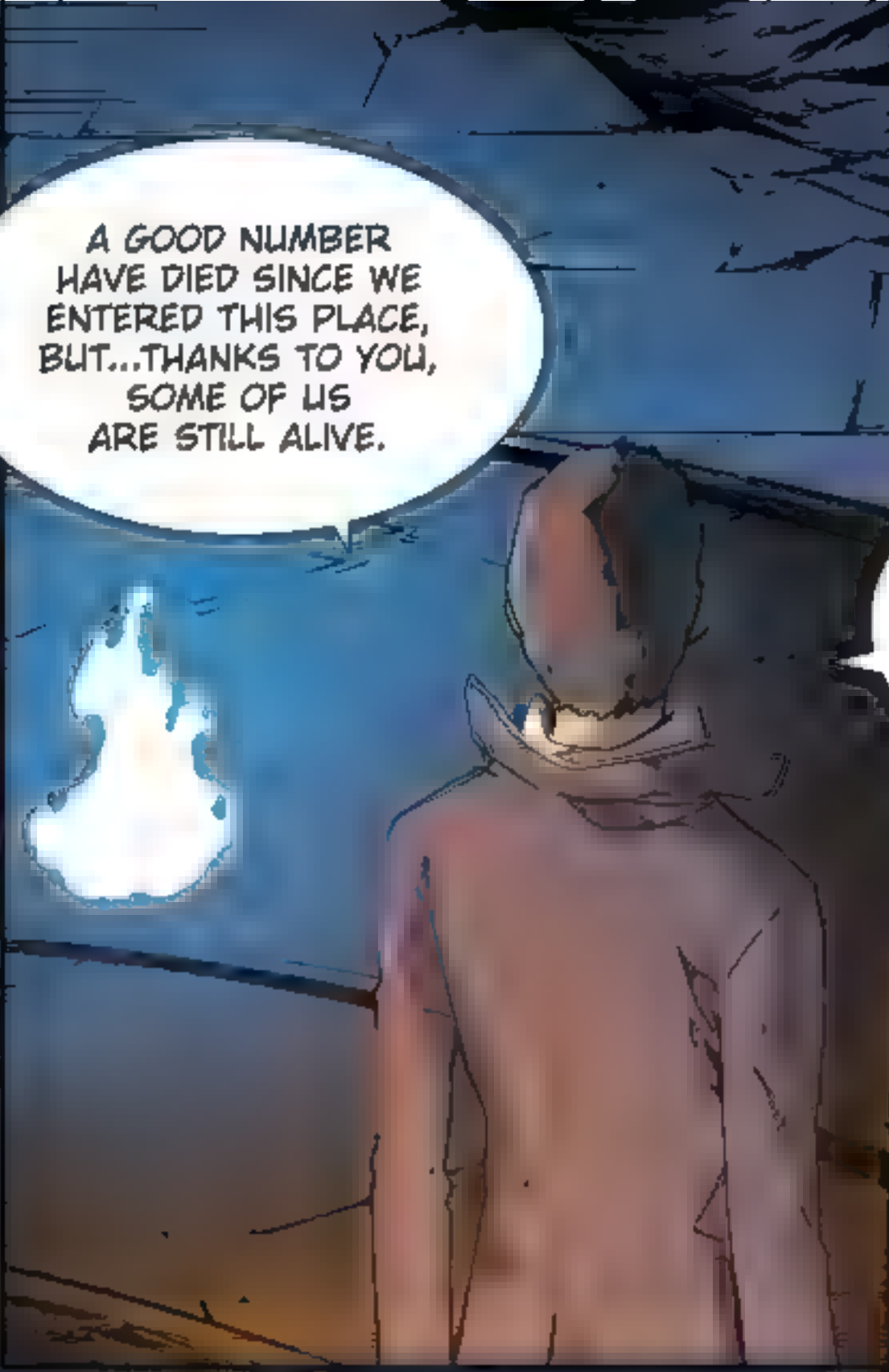
...WE'VE
BEEN ABLE TO
SURVIVE.



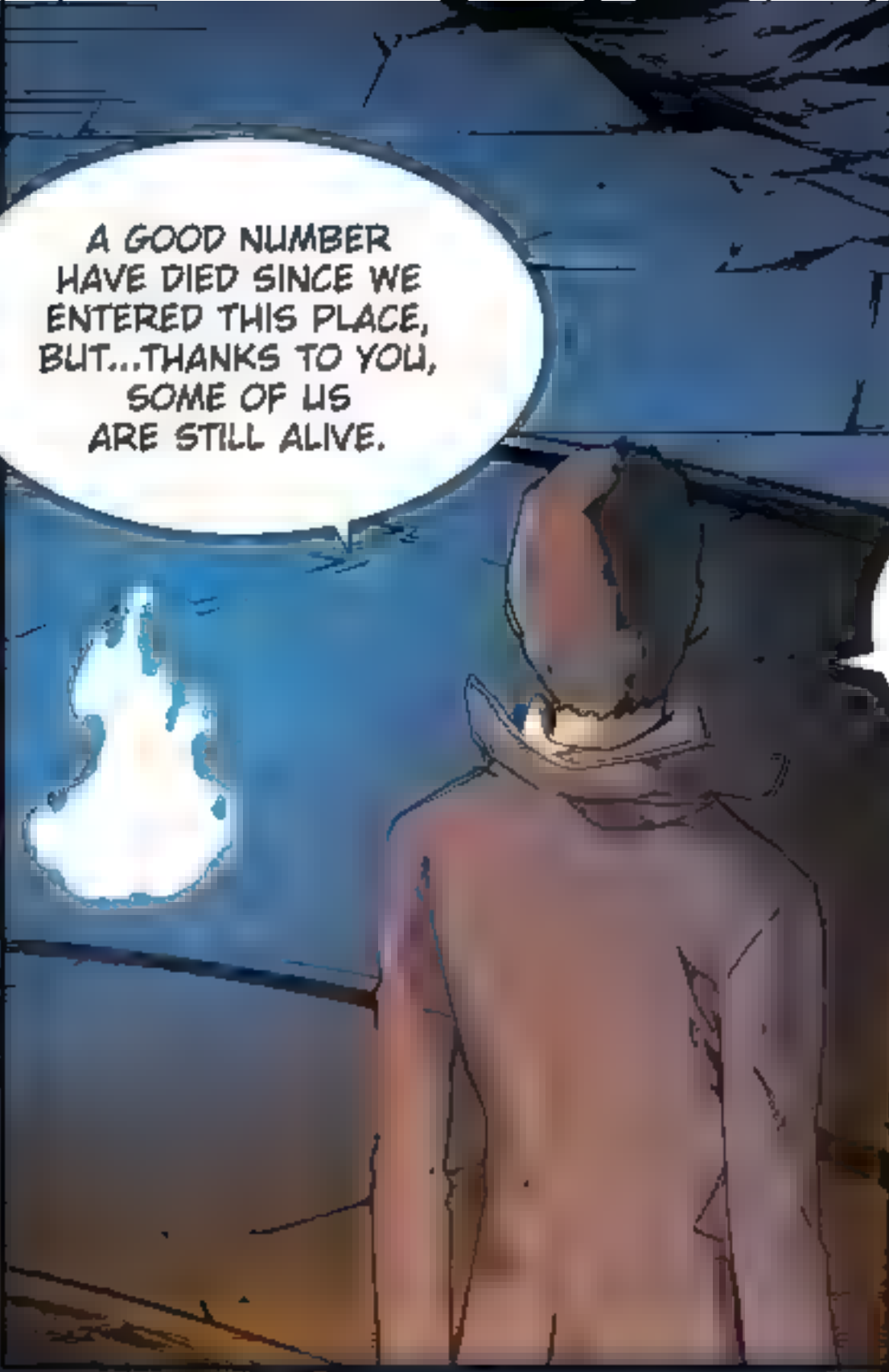
THANK
YOU.



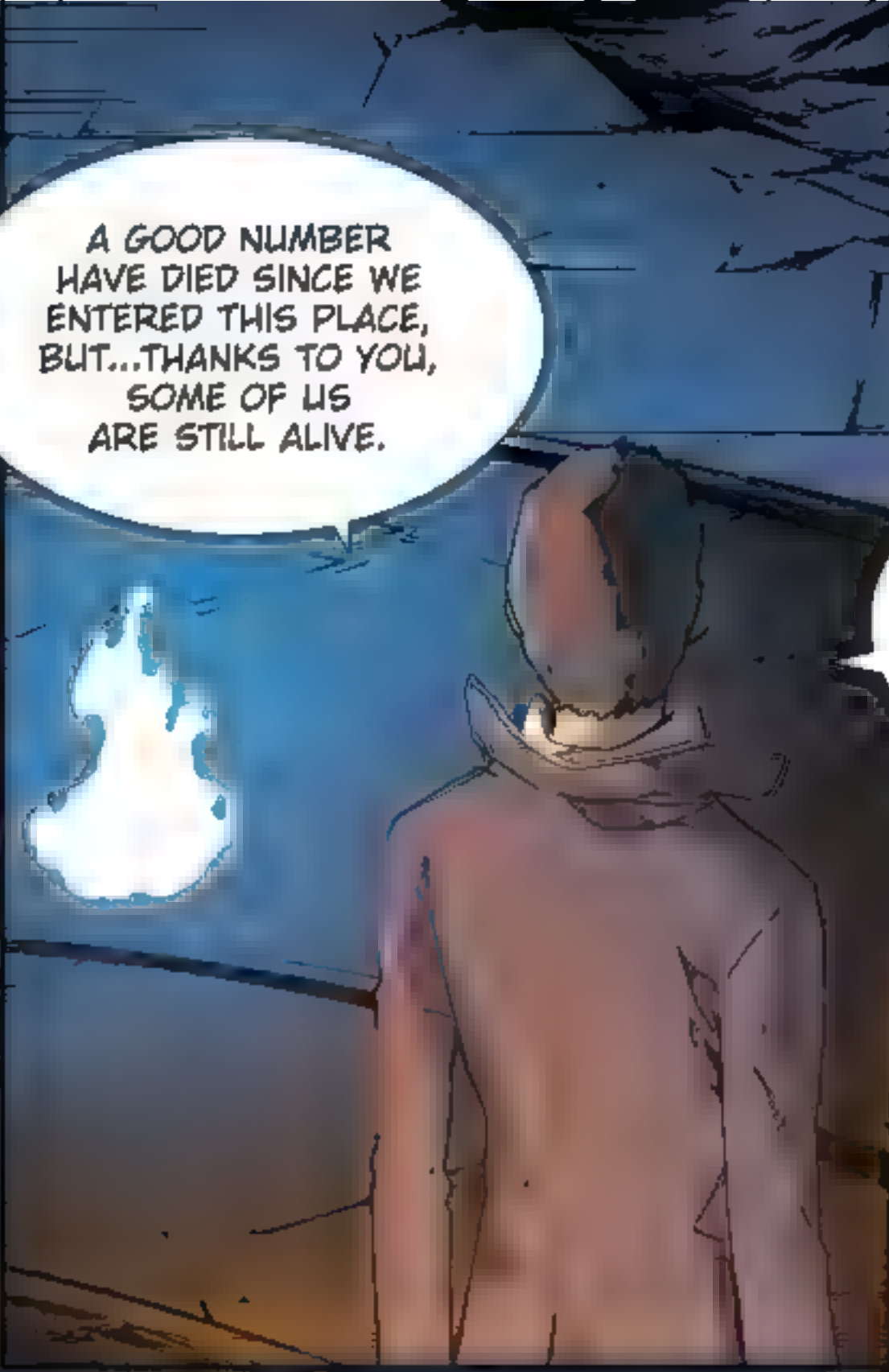
MR. KIM...



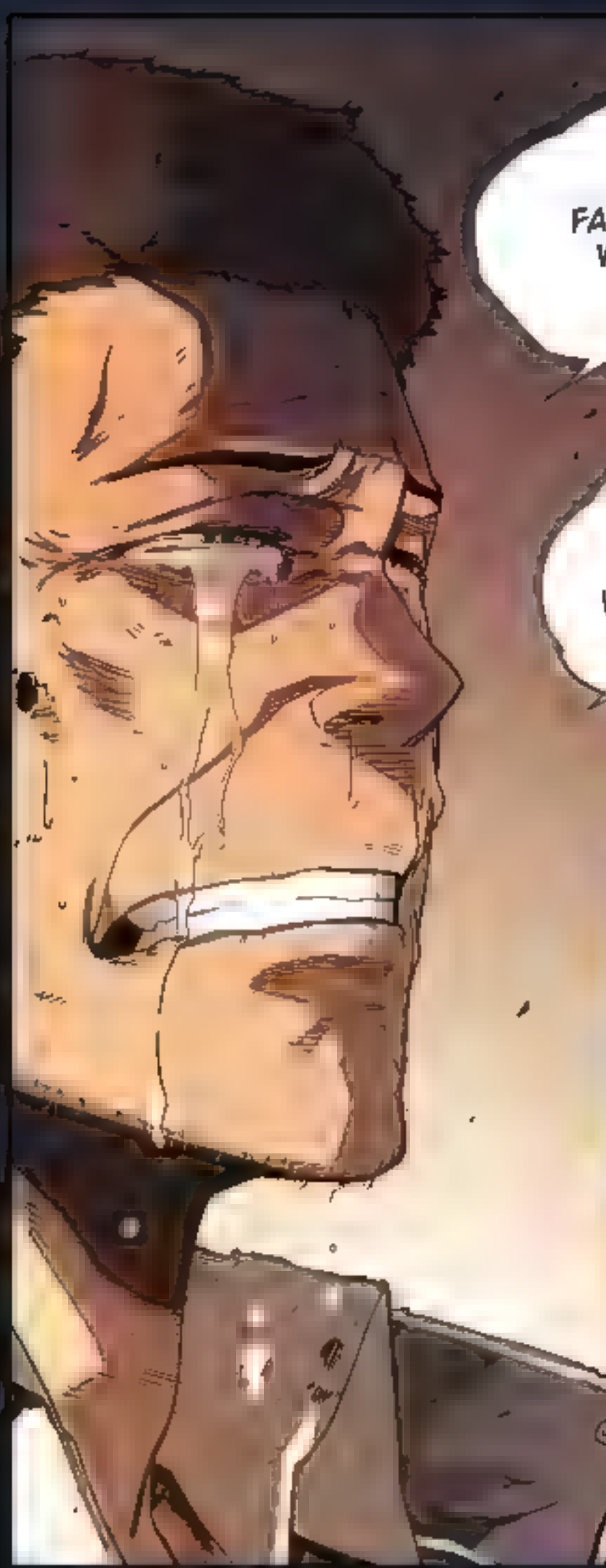
BUT...



CLANG



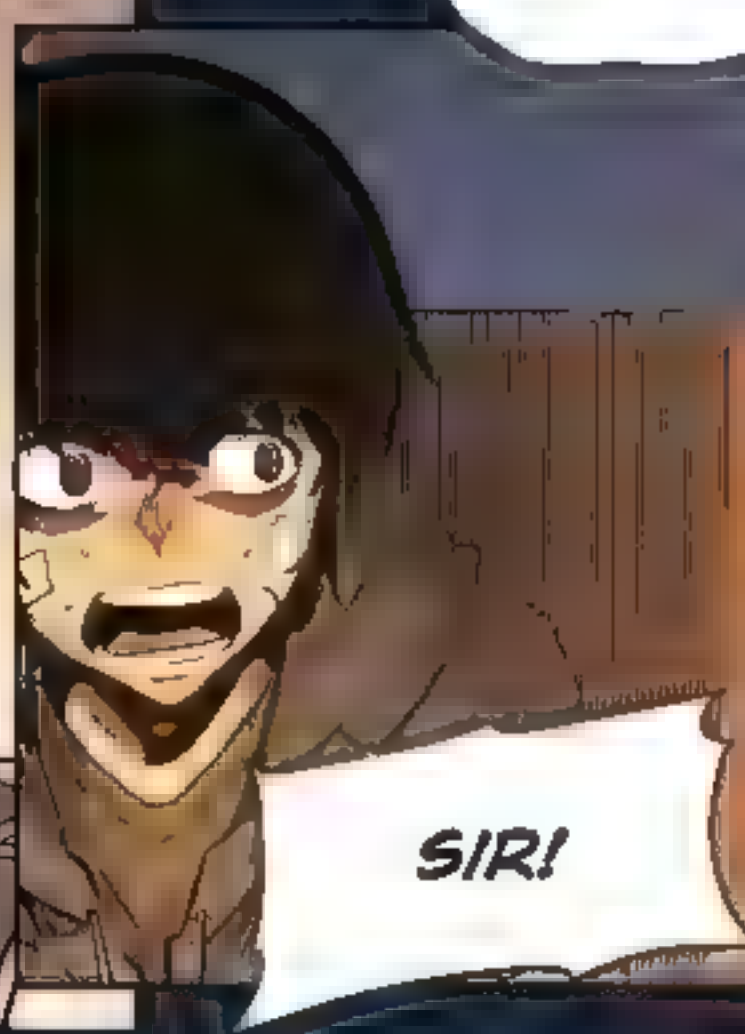
...YOU
KNOW...



...I HAVE A
FAMILY. I DON'T
WANT TO DIE
YET.

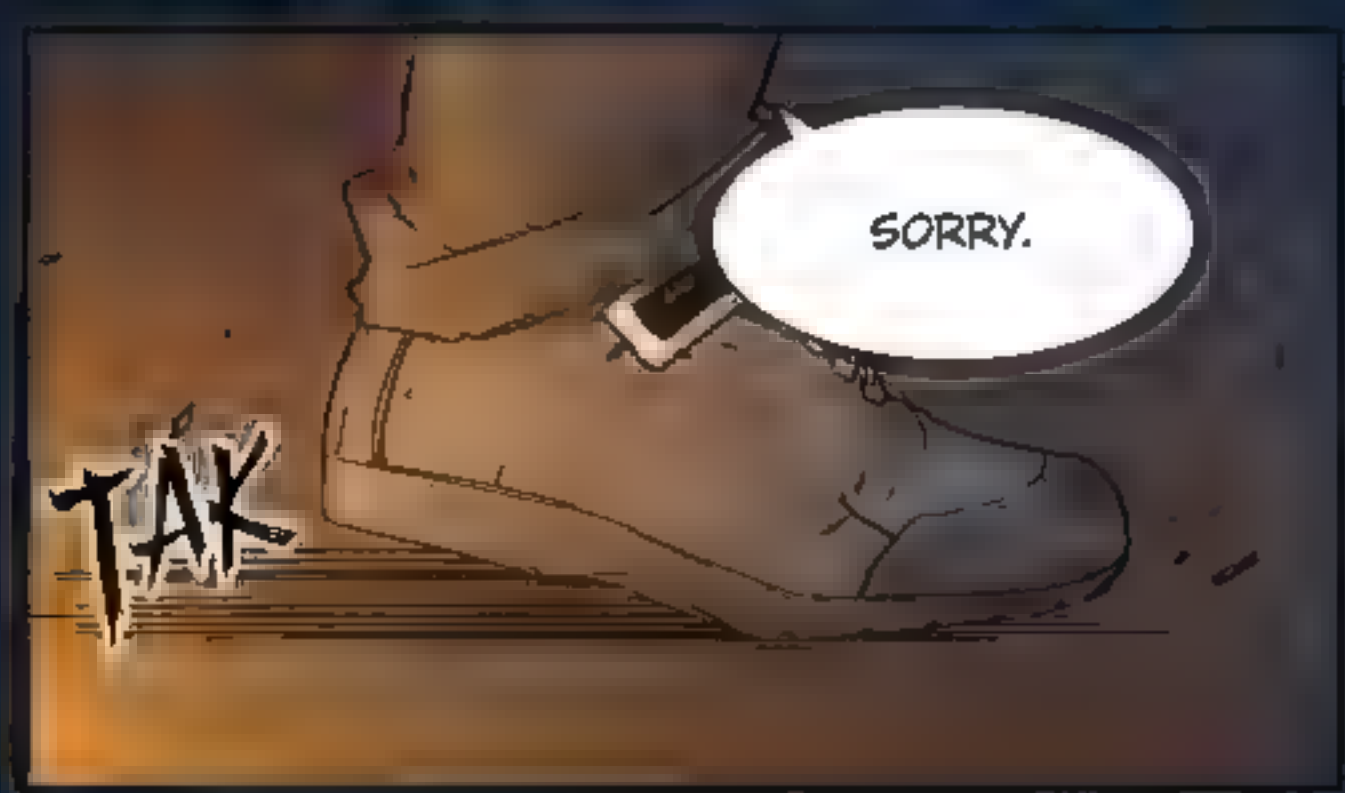
I DON'T
WANT TO DIE.

SORRY...



...BUT I
CAN'T DO THIS
ANY LONGER.

SIR!

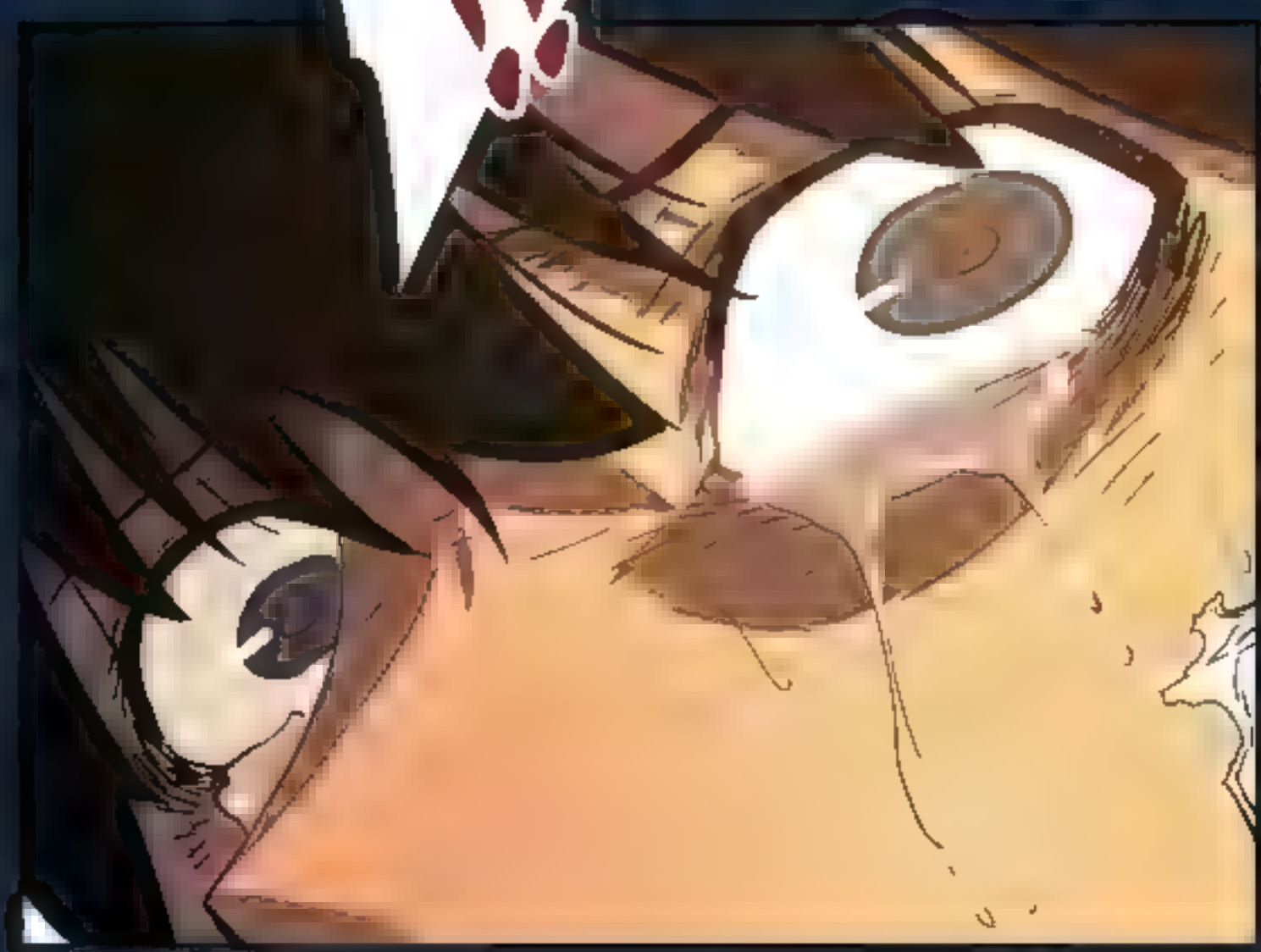


SORRY.

TAK



DID HE SAY
"THANK YOU"?





ARE YOU KIDDING ME?!



UHK!

UNNH...

IF YOU...



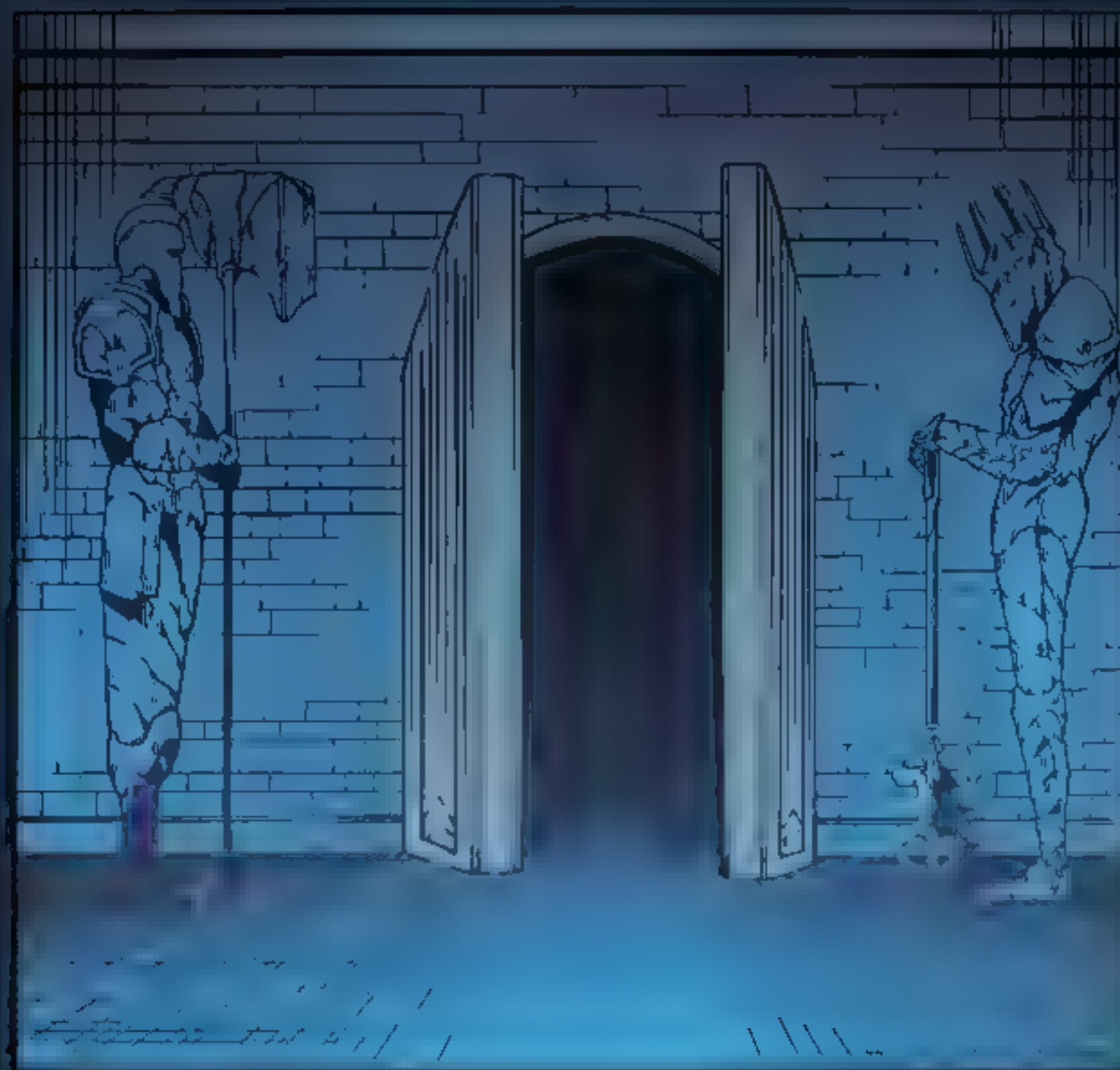
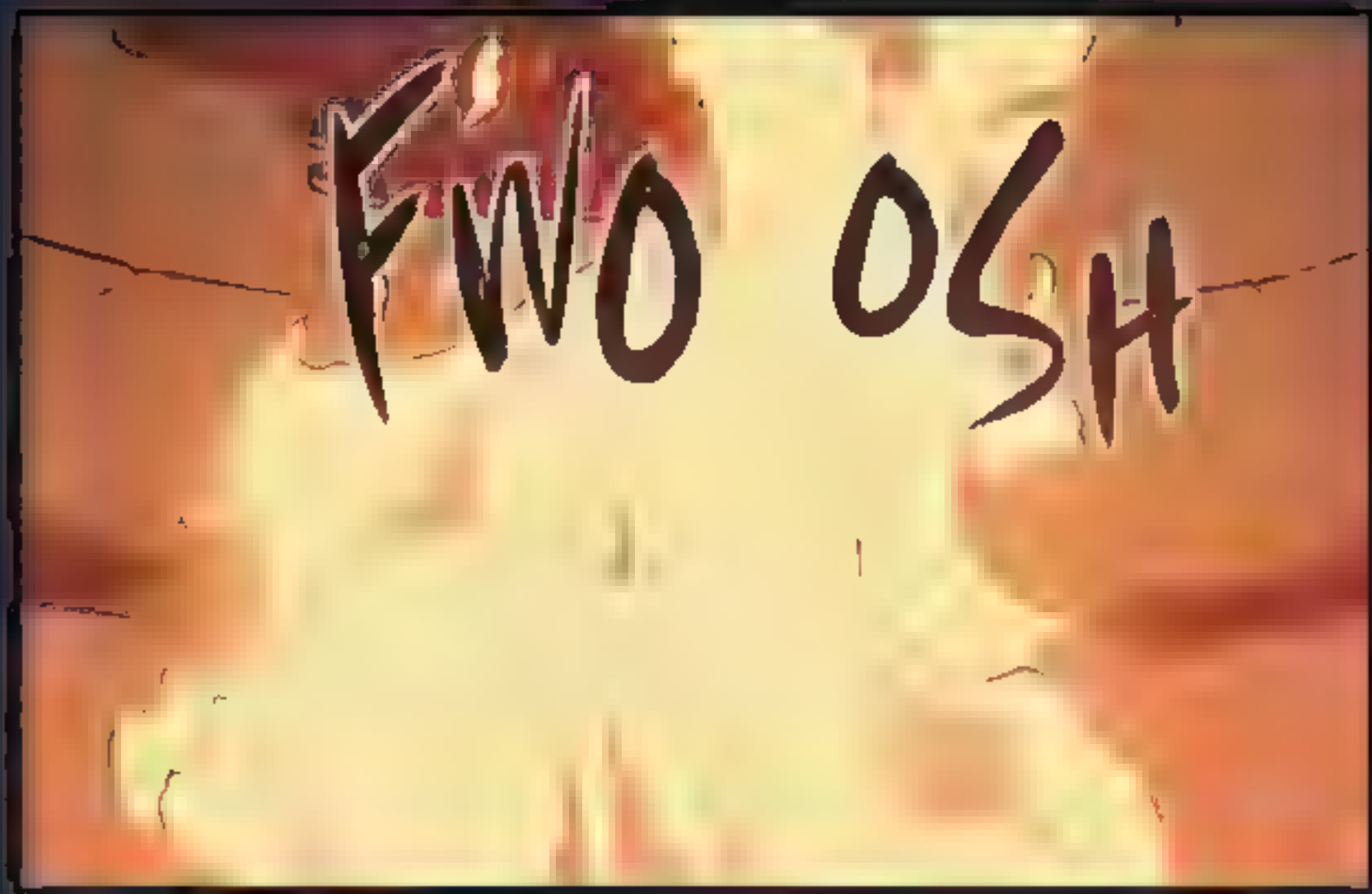
...RUN
AWAY...

...IT'S
A DEATH
SENTENCE
FOR THE REST
OF US...

THUD

THUD





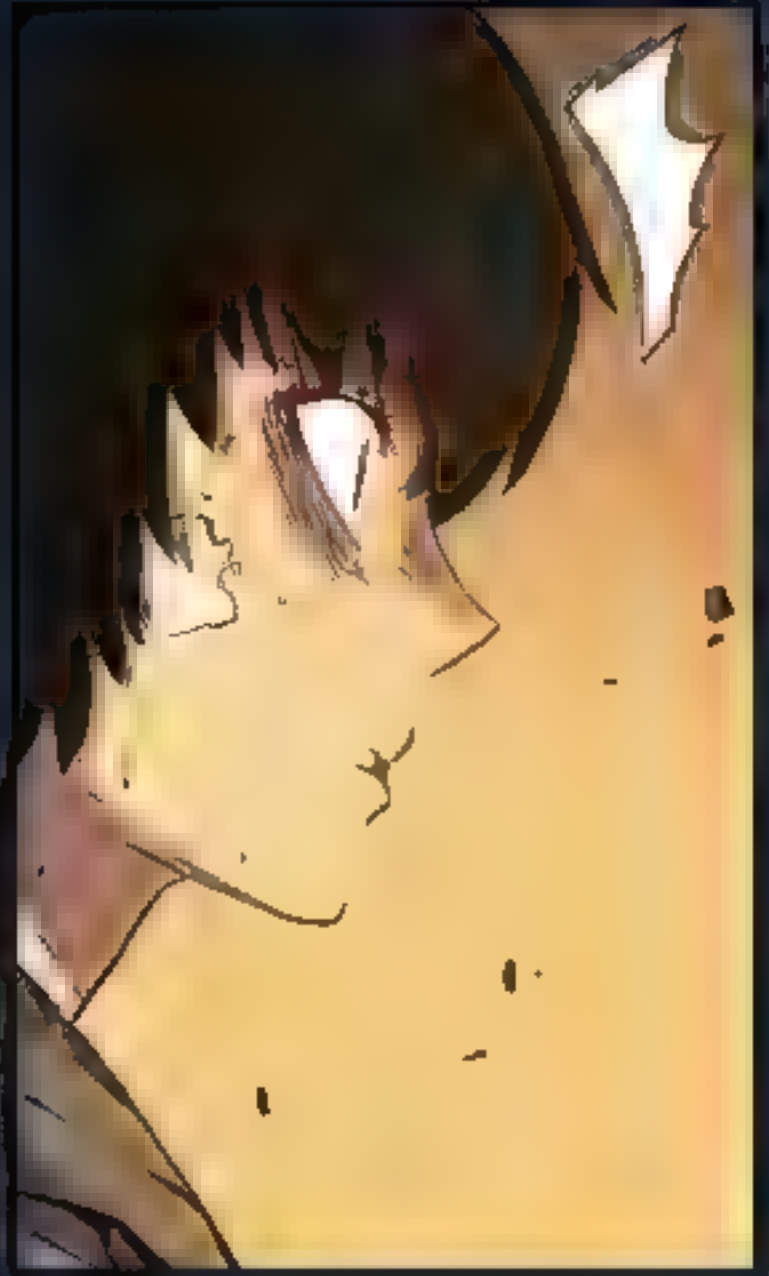


THE DOORS
HAVE CLOSED
A LOT.

IT'S TOO LATE,
BUT I UNDERSTAND
THE RULES NOW.



YOU TWO
NEED TO GO.



MR.
SONG...?



THE DOORS WON'T
CLOSE AS LONG AS
SOMEONE IS ON THE
ALTAR, RIGHT?

YOU HAVE
MORE LIFE AHEAD OF
YOU THAN I DO, SO YOU
SHOULD GO.

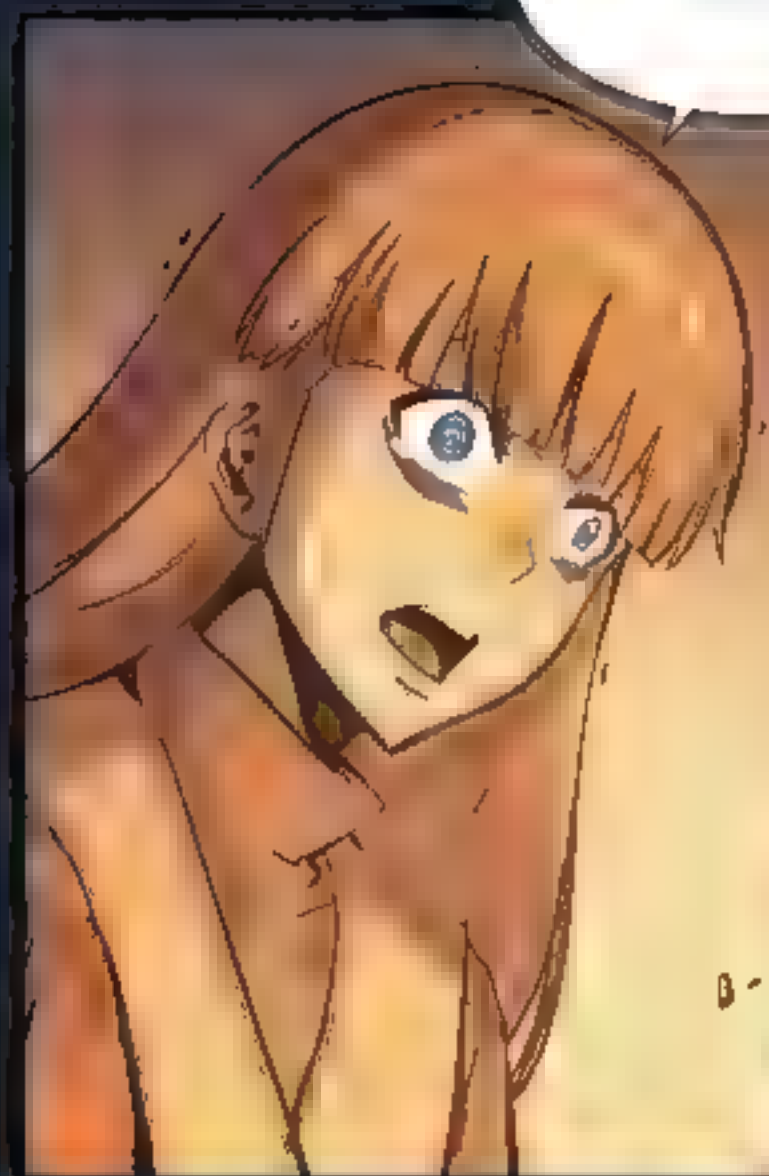


JOOHEE,
CAN YOU PLEASE
HELP SUNG?

Y-
YES!



AHH...



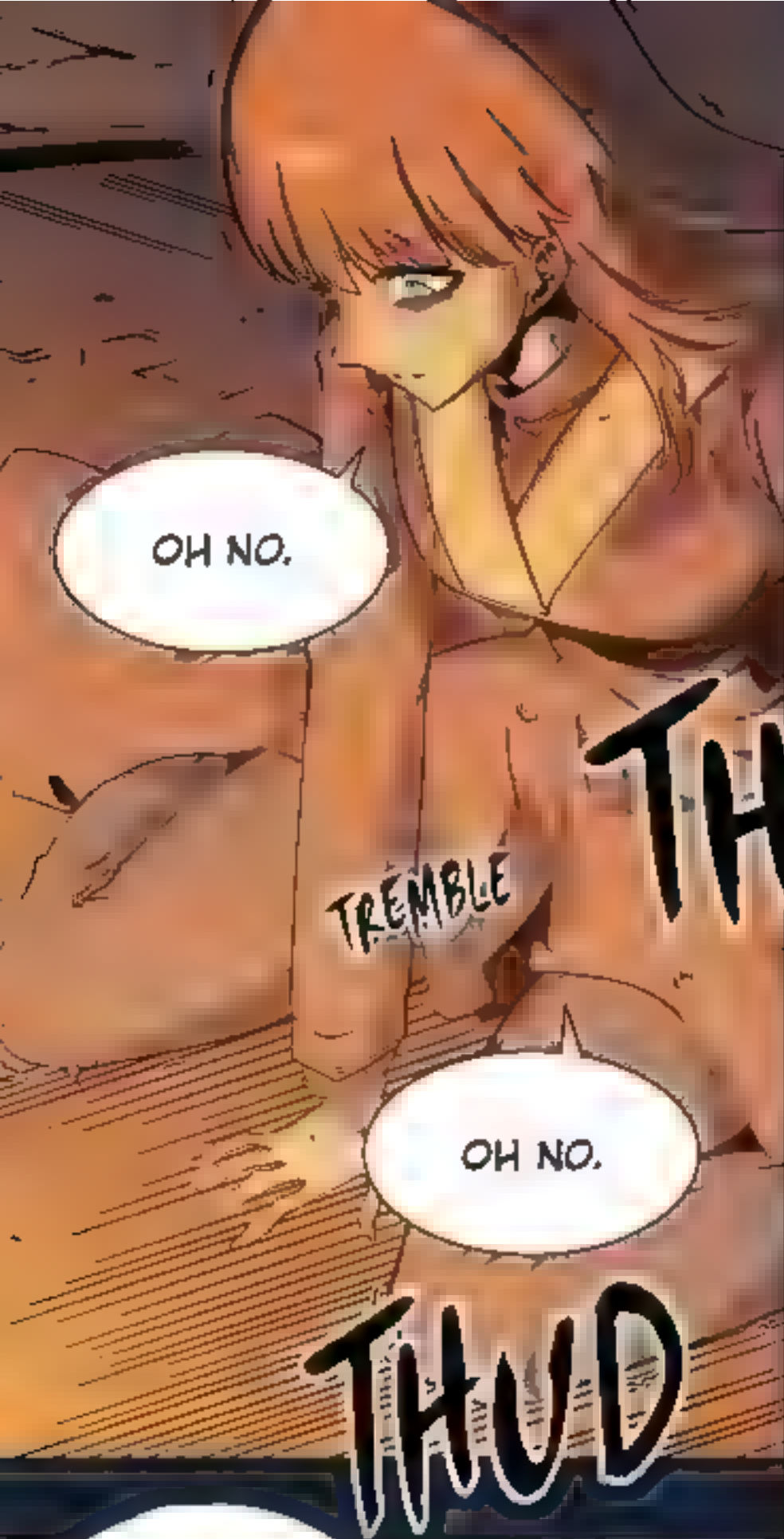
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OH NO...

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

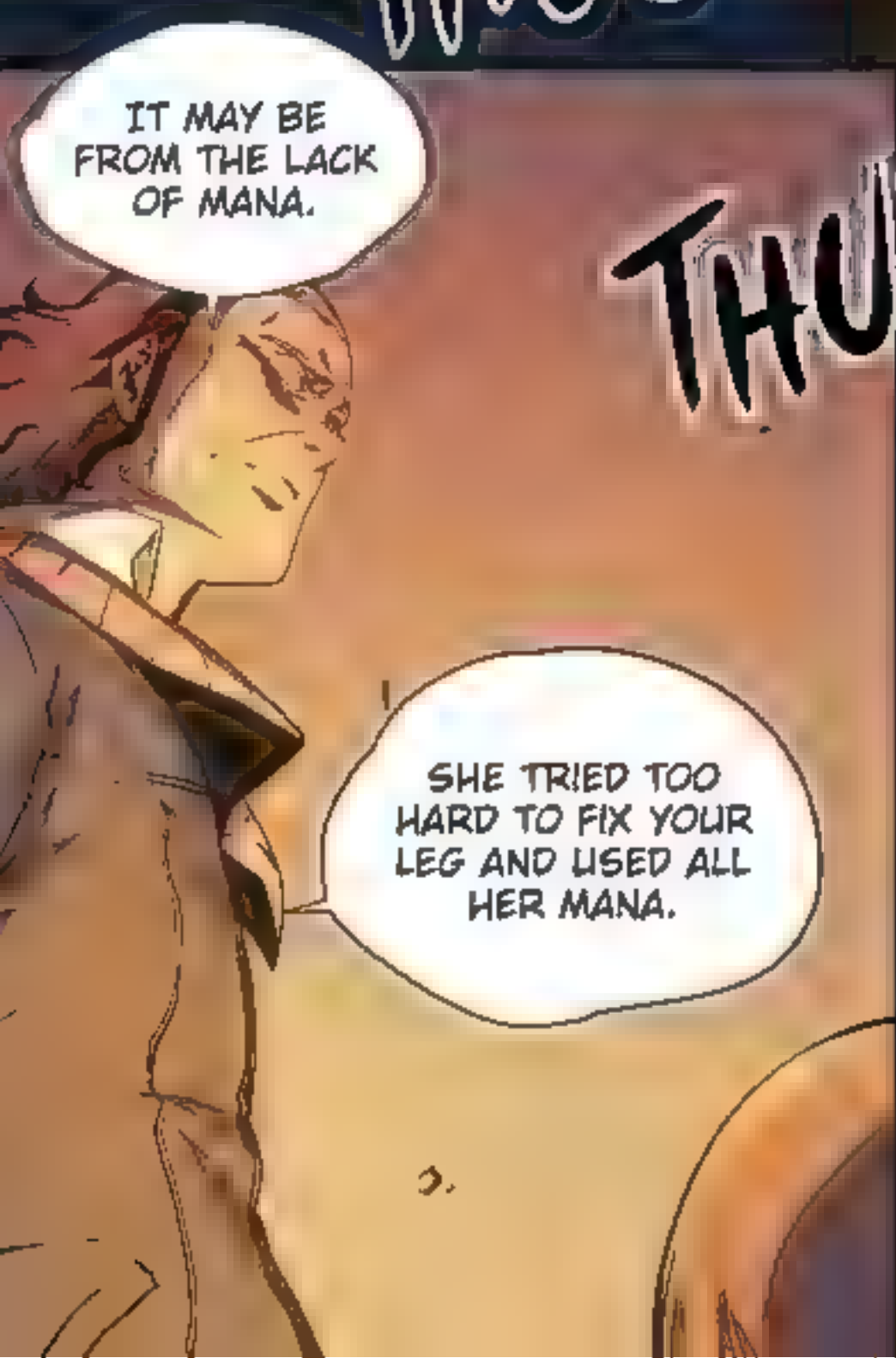


OH NO.

TREMBLE

OH NO.

THUD



IT MAY BE FROM THE LACK OF MANA.

SHE TRIED TOO HARD TO FIX YOUR LEG AND USED ALL HER MANA.



MY LEGS...

I CAN'T MOVE MY LEGS.



.....

PLEASE TAKE JOOHEE AND GET OUT OF HERE, MR. SONG.

THUD

THUD

I TOLD YOU
I'D STAY!

THEN WHO'S
GOING TO HELP
JOOHEE?

THERE'S
NO TIME!
PLEASE GO!

THUD

THUD



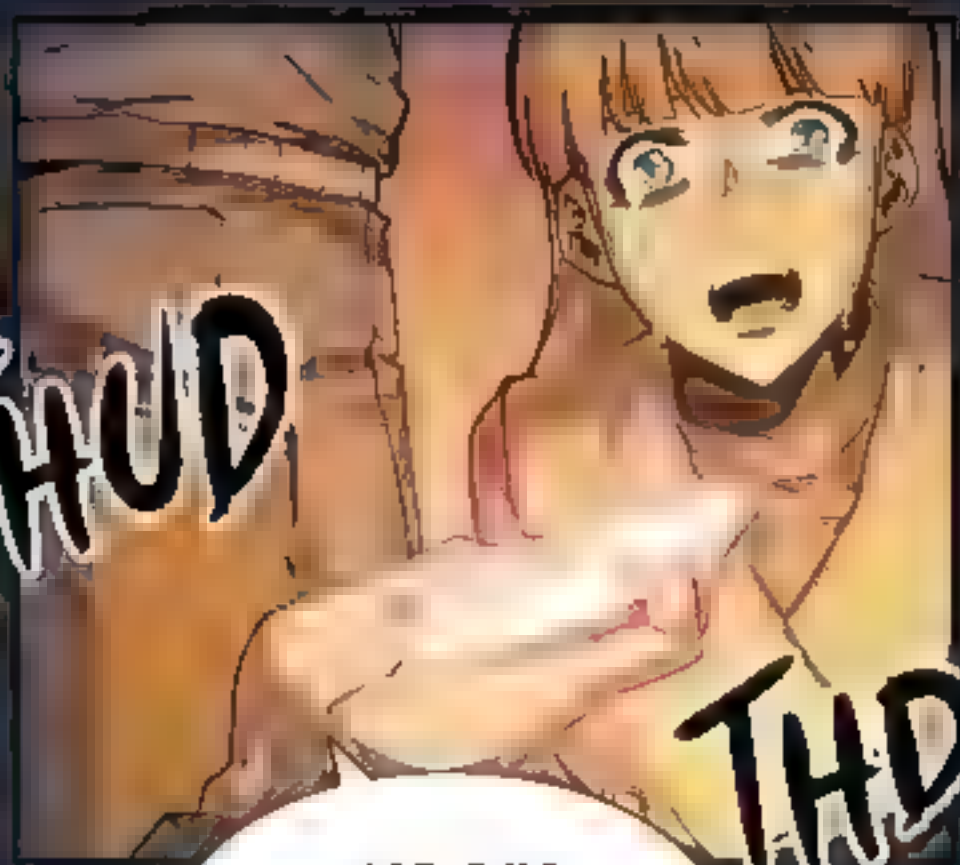
NO...
JINWOO...I'D
RATHER...



RUSTLE

I PROMISED
TO TAKE YOU OUT
FOR DINNER.

RUSTLE



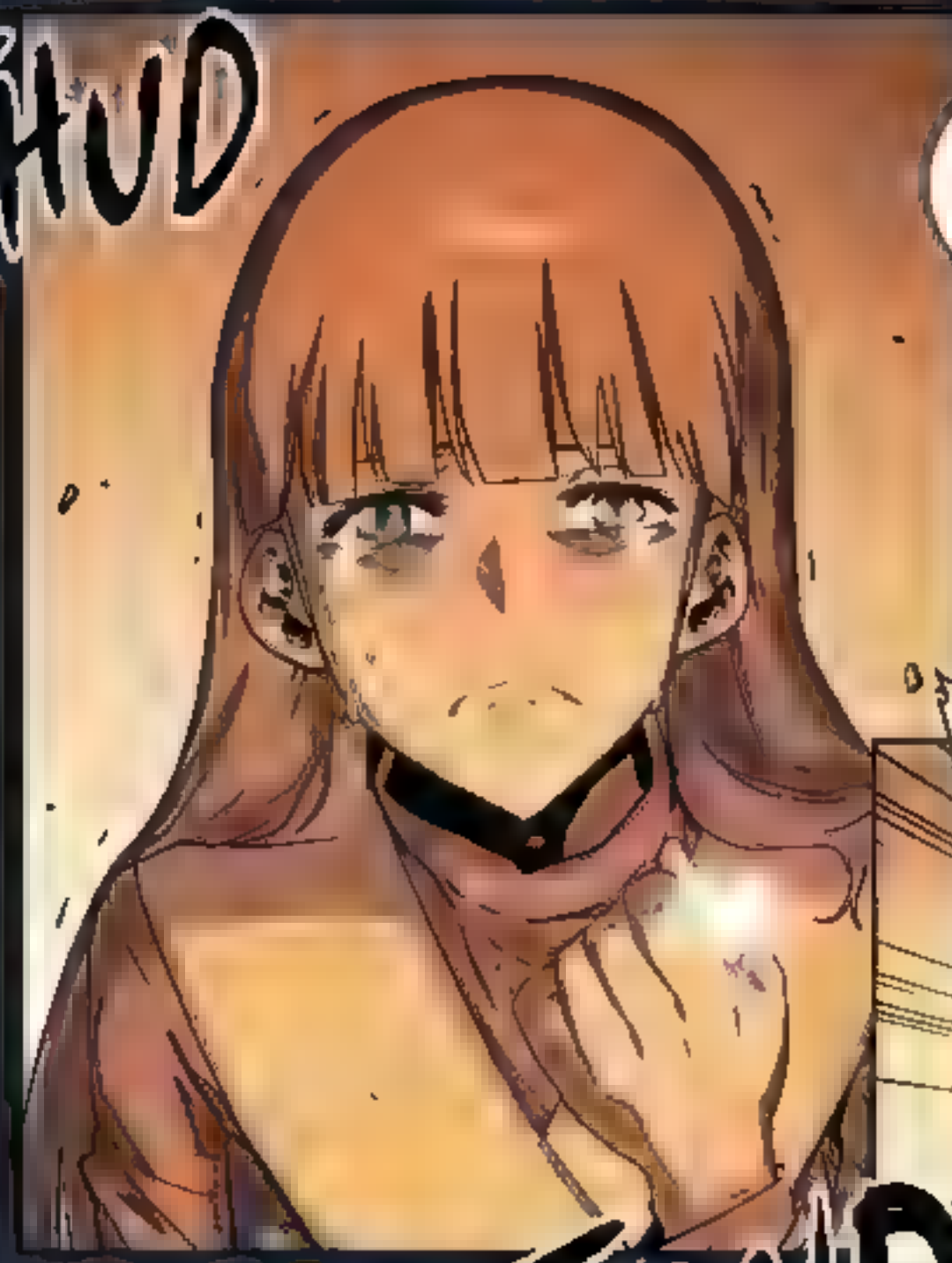
THUD

THUD

USE THIS
AND TREAT
YOURSELF.

I'LL GET MY
CHANGE FROM YOU
WHEN I GET OUT
OF HERE.

THUD



HOW CAN
YOU JOKE—

THUD



SMACK

THUD

SHUP

...I'M SORRY.
THERE REALLY
ISN'T ANY TIME
LEFT.

THUD

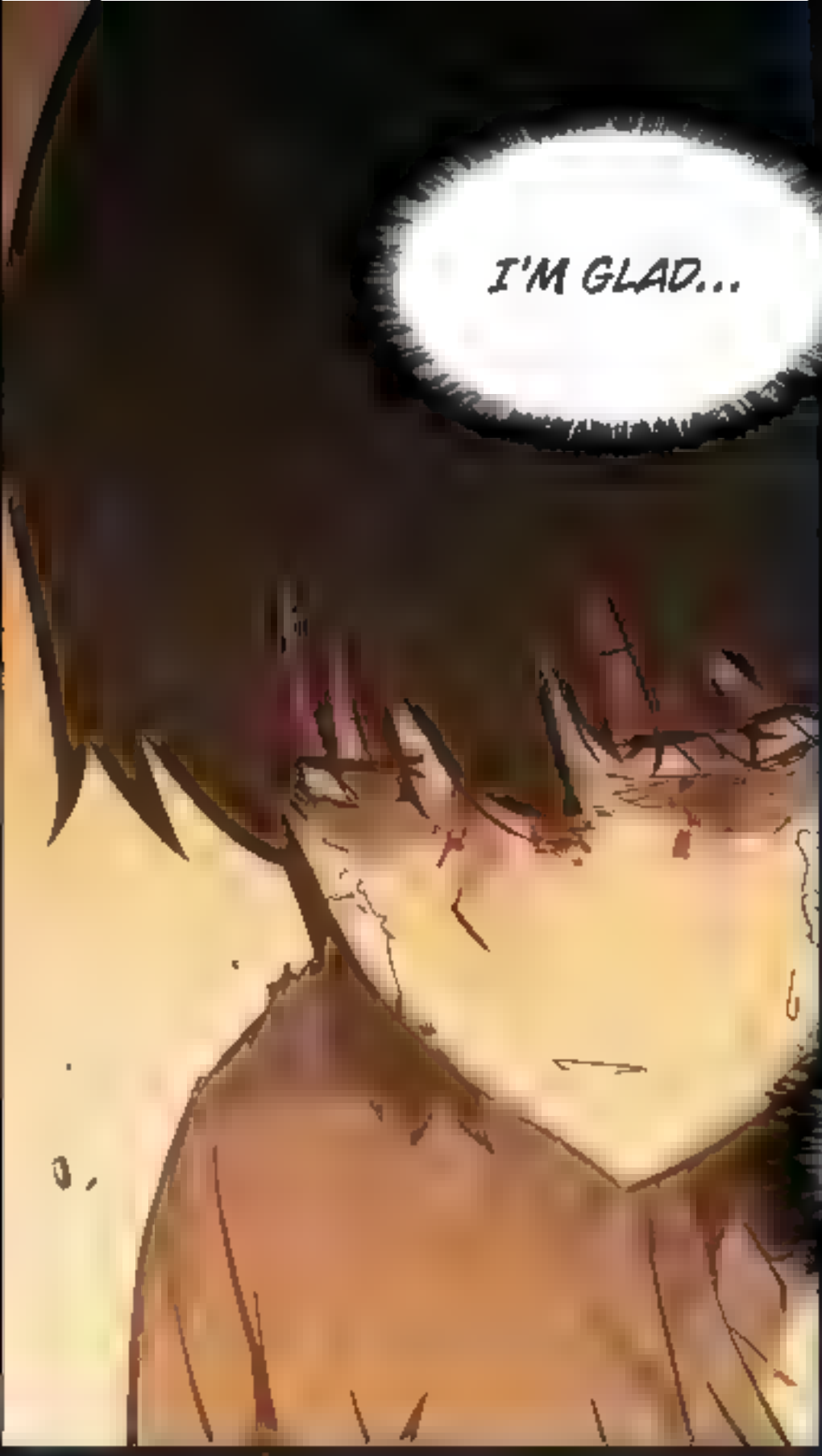
THUD

PLEASE TAKE
GOOD CARE OF
HER.

I WILL.

THUD





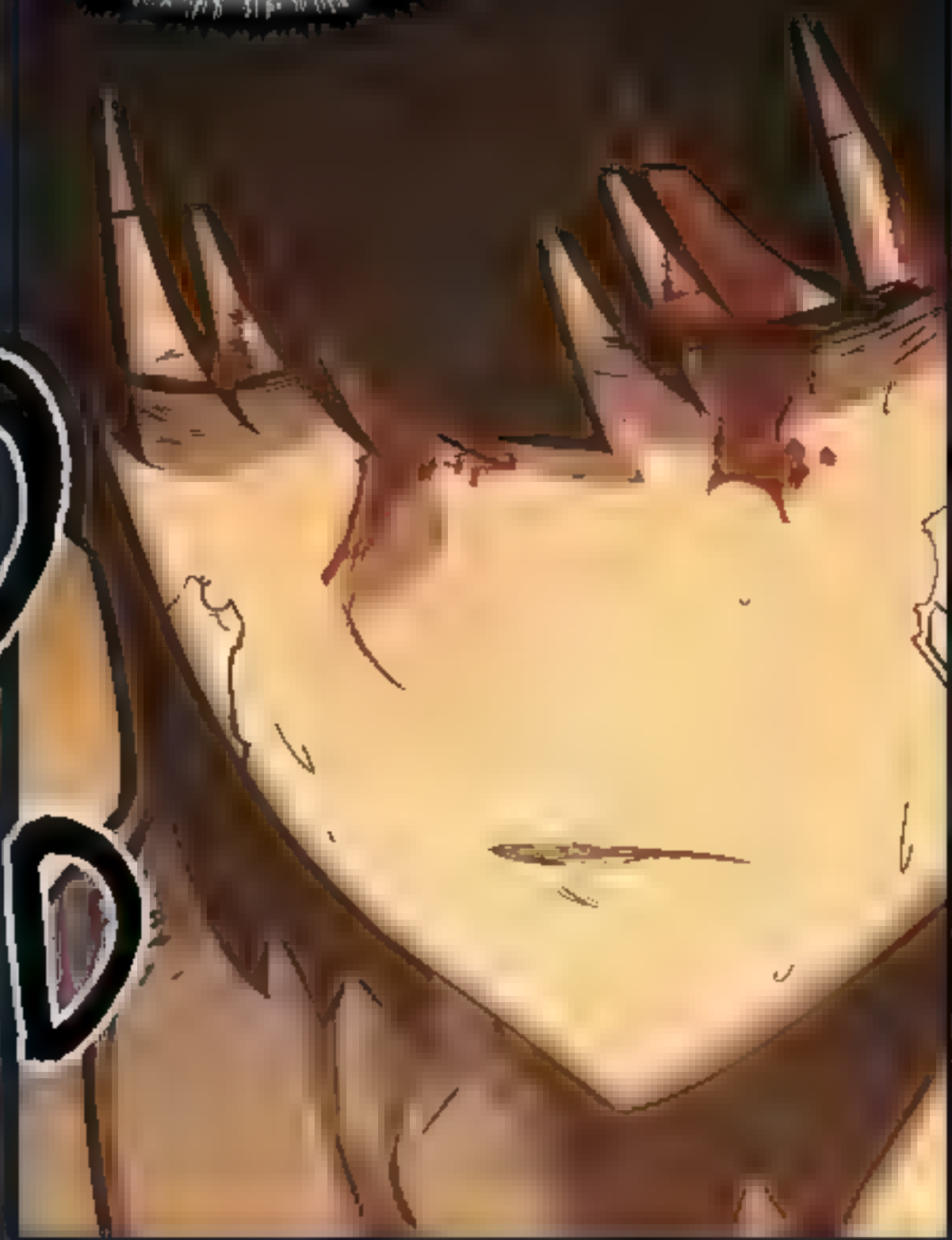
I'M GLAD...

THUD

THUD

...I'M THE
ONLY ONE
DYING...

THUD
THUD





THUD

THUD

I SHOULD'VE
GOTTEN MORE LIFE
INSURANCE...

THUD

THUD

THUD

THUD

HFF...

THUD
THUD

HFF...

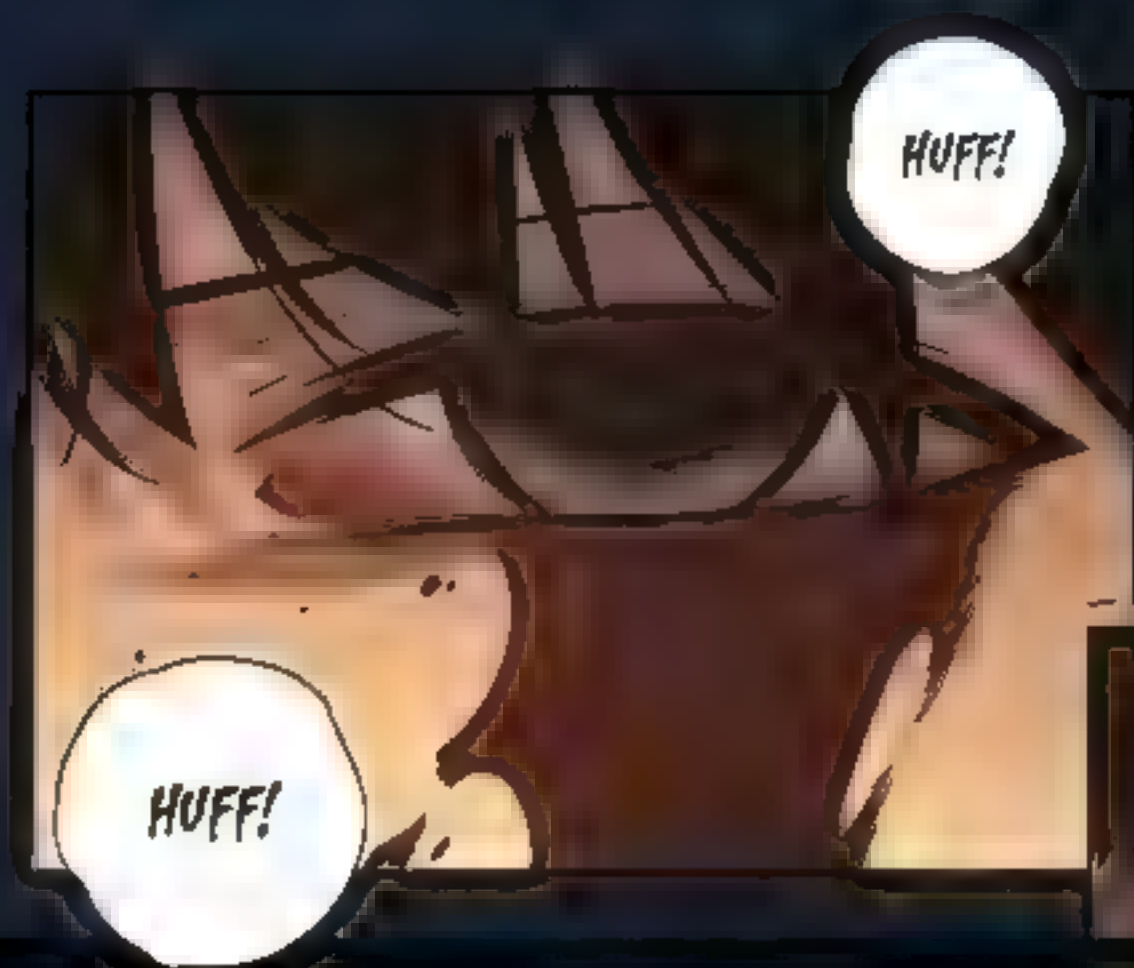


HAFF!

HUFF!

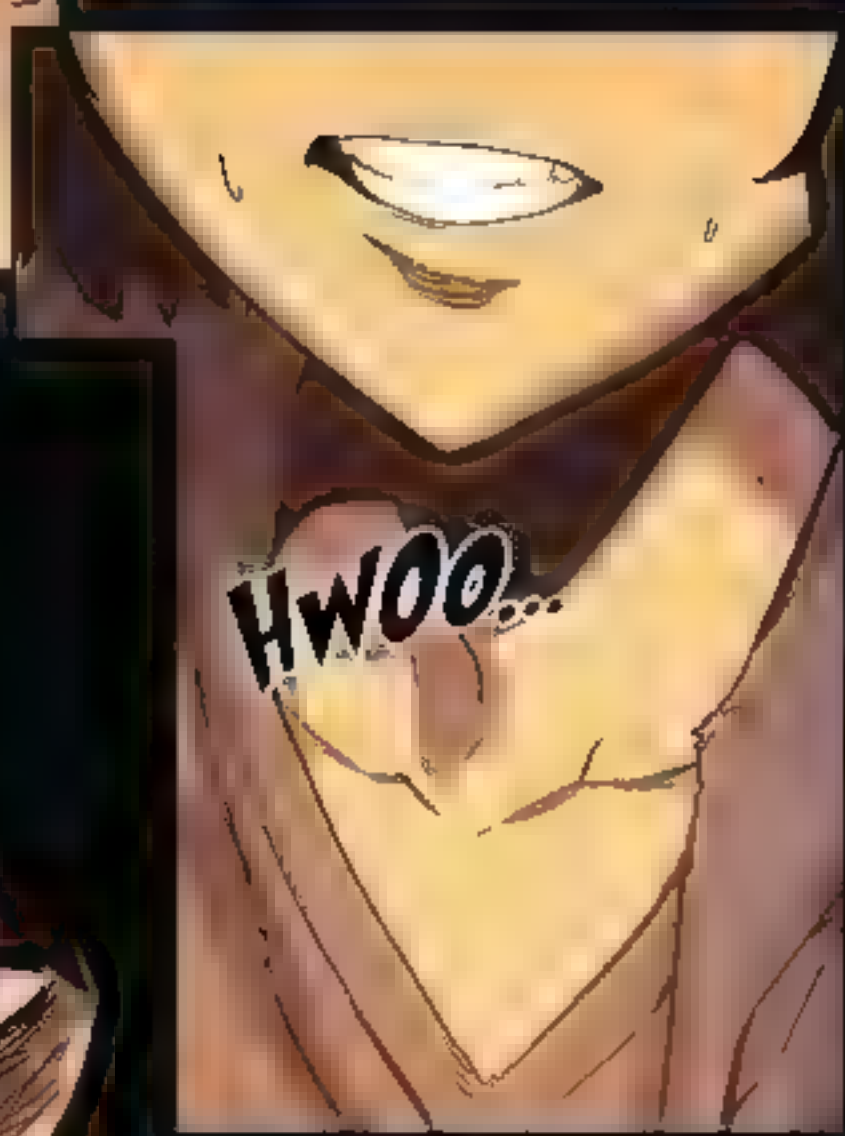
IF I'M GOING
DOWN, I'M TAKING
AT LEAST ONE OF
THESE THINGS
WITH ME.





HUFF!

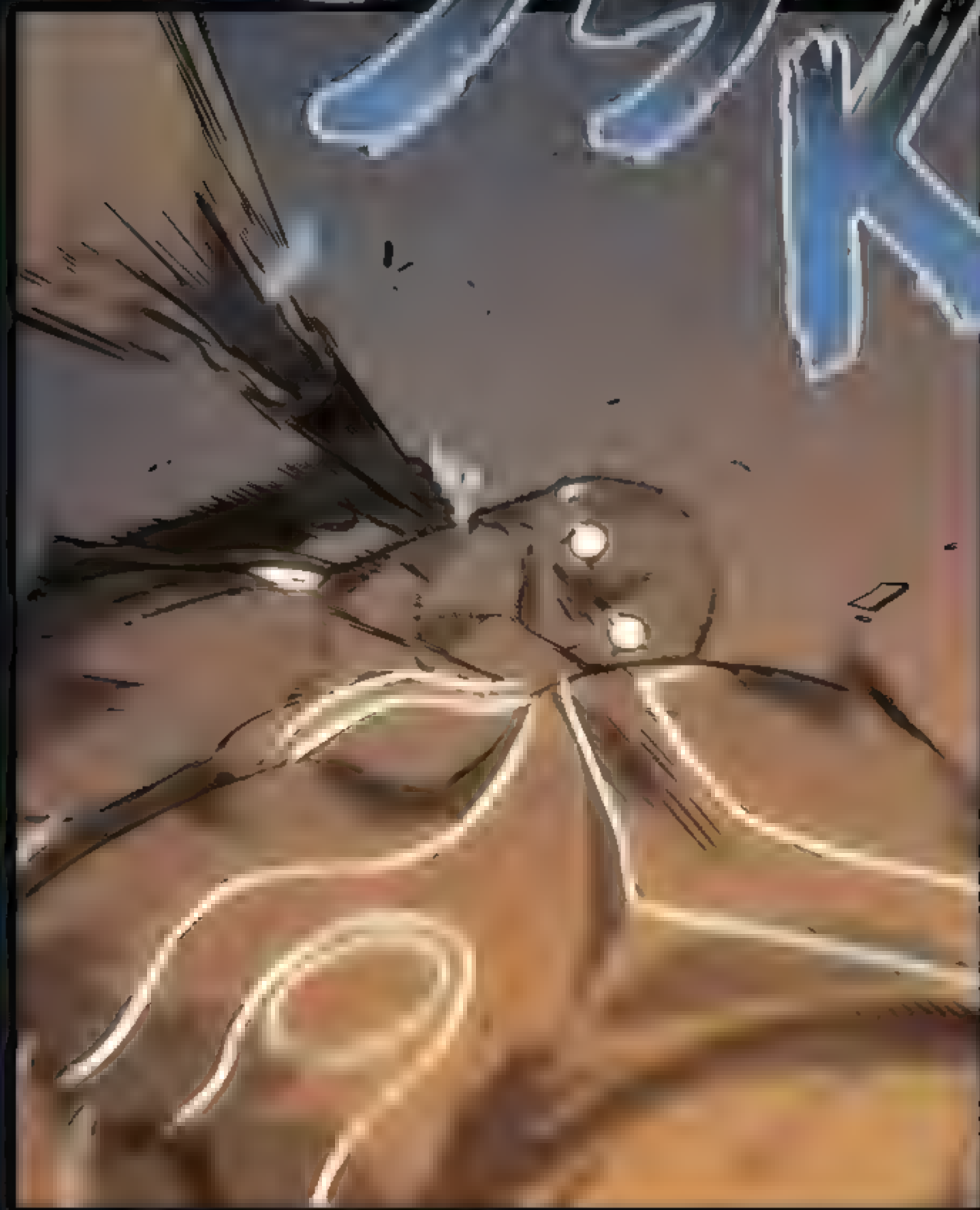
HUFF!



HWO...



COME AT ME.



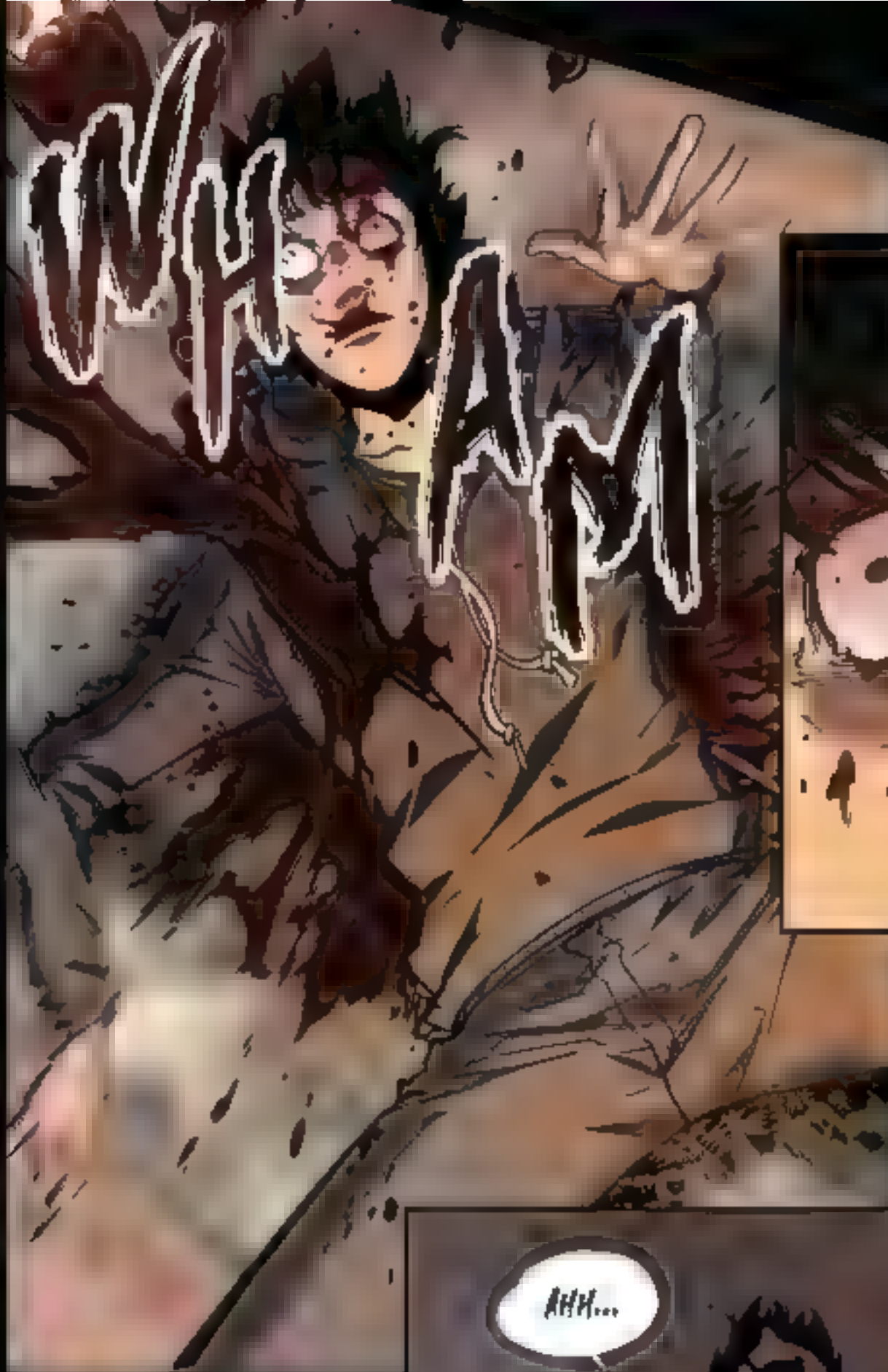


SHO

ON

GAKK!





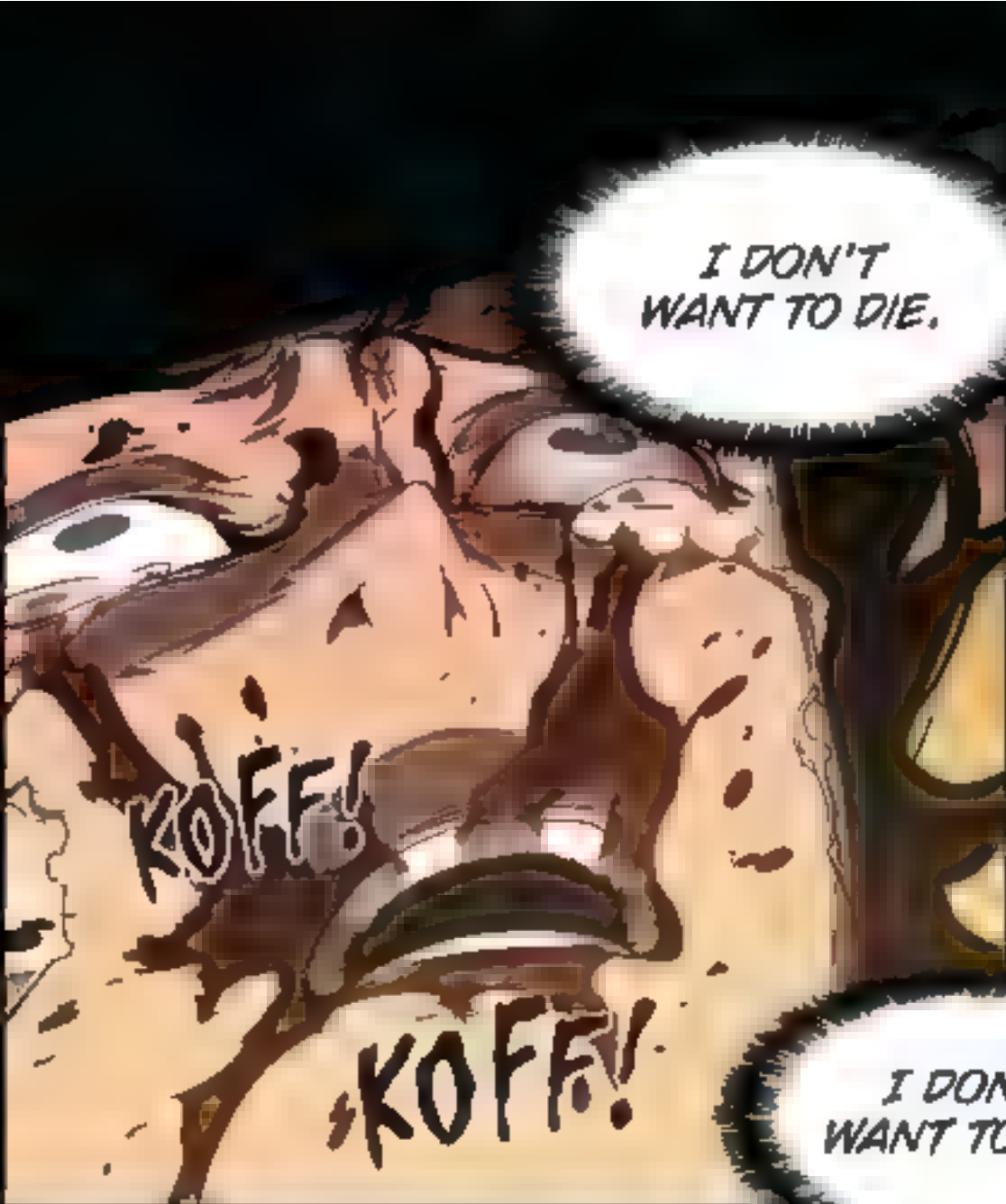
GHK!!

DRIBBLE



ANN...

ANN...



I DON'T
WANT TO DIE.

HOW COULD
I BE FINE WITH
THIS?

WE HAVE DIED
WE ENTERED HIS
PLACE BUT

THANKS TO
YOU SOME OF
US ARE STILL
ALIVE

I DON'T
WANT TO DIE.

WHAT WAS
HE THANKING
ME FOR?

HE
USED ME AND
THREW ME AWAY!
I HAVE A FAMILY
TOO!

"GLAD I'M
THE ONLY ONE
DYING"?

WHAT A JOKE!
I'M SUCH A
HYPOCRITE!

SIR!!

A comic book panel featuring a character in a dark, rocky environment. The character is shown from the chest up, wearing a dark, textured suit with a high collar. They have a pale, almost white face with dark, hollow eyes. The character's hands are raised, holding a bright, glowing orb. The background is a dark, rocky landscape with some distant lights. The overall tone is somber and dramatic.

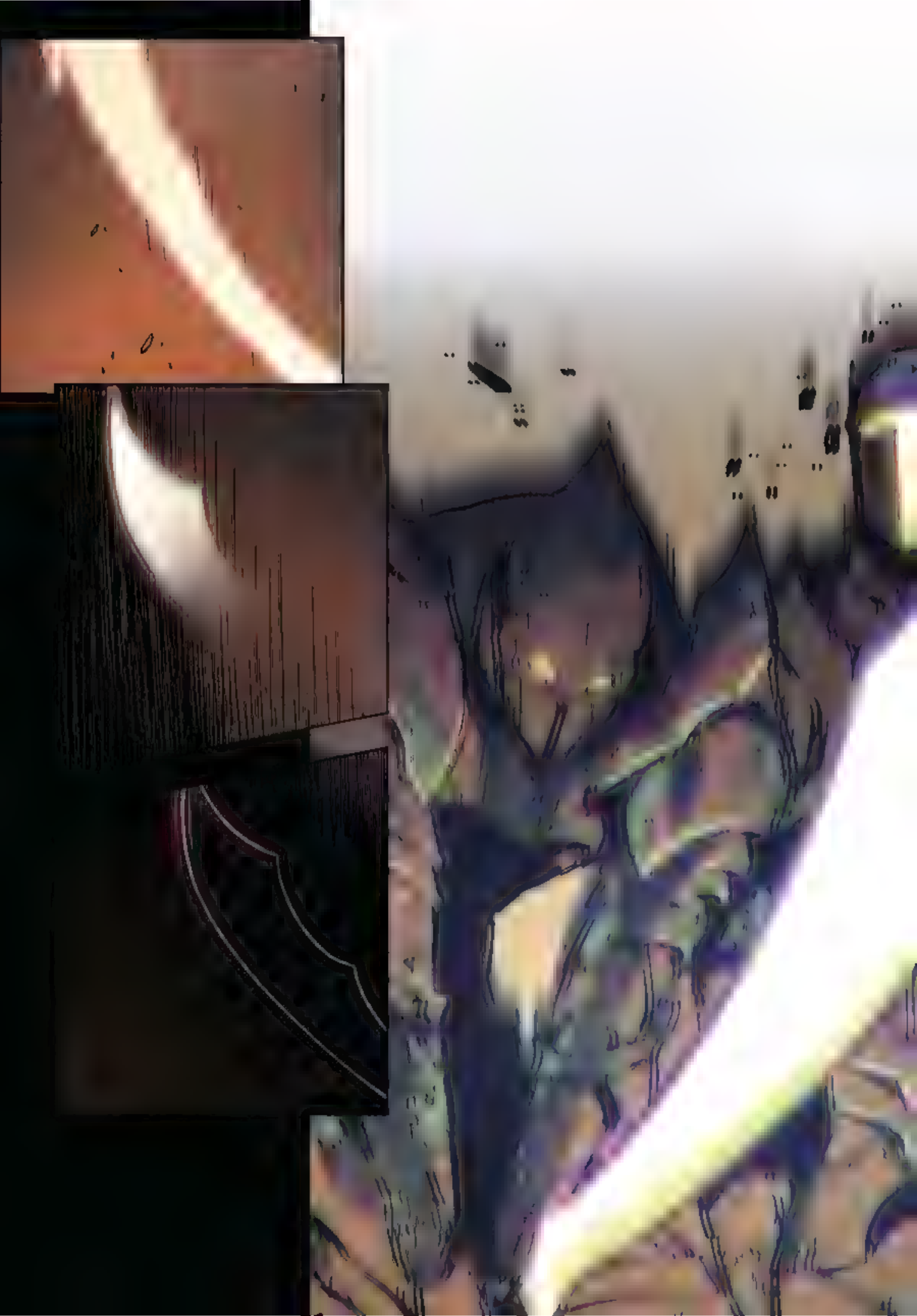
*I DON'T WANT
TO DIE...*



ONE
MORE...

IF ONLY I
COULD HAVE
ONE MORE
CHANCE!



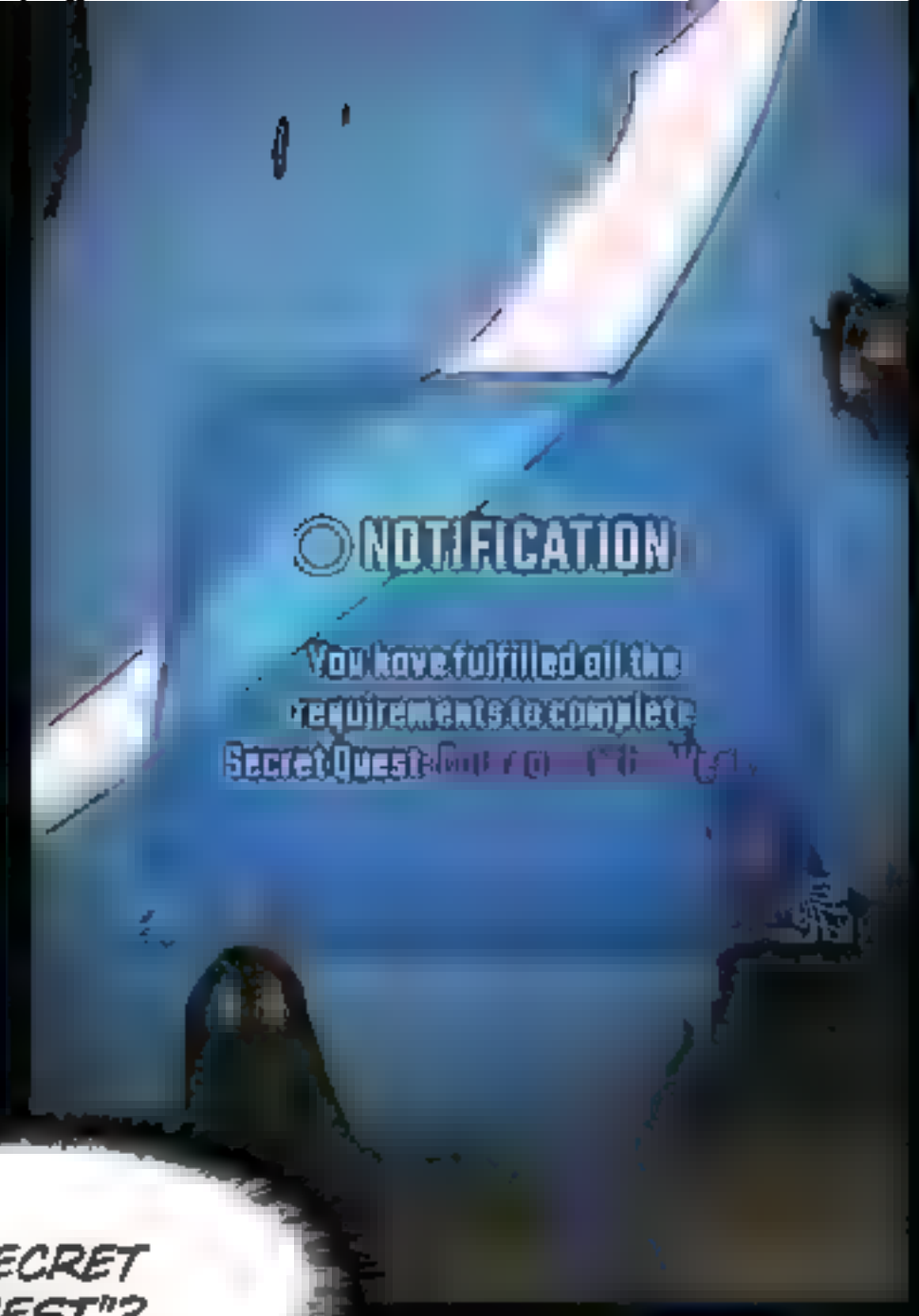




NOTIFICATION

You have fulfilled all the
requirements to complete
Secret Quest: Courage of the Wolf





"SECRET
QUEST"?

"REQUIREMENTS
TO COMPLETE"?

[You have fulfilled all the
requirements to complete
Secret Quest: Courage of
the Weak.]

WHERE IS
THIS VOICE COMING
FROM?

[You have acquired
the qualifications to
be a Player. Will
you accept?]

"QUALIFICATIONS"?
"ACCEPT"?

WHAT IS
ALL THIS...?

[Your time is
running out.]

[Your heart will stop in
0.02 seconds if you choose not
to accept. Will you accept?]

OH...

ACCEPT IT?

NOTIFICATION

Your heart will stop
in 0.02 seconds if you
choose not to accept.

Will you accept?

ACCEPT

DECLINE

THEN...
I WON'T DIE?

FINE...
I...

...ACCEPT.

① NOTIFICATION

◀ Congratulations on becoming a Master! ▶



MAP







Solo
Leveling



CHAPTER 3

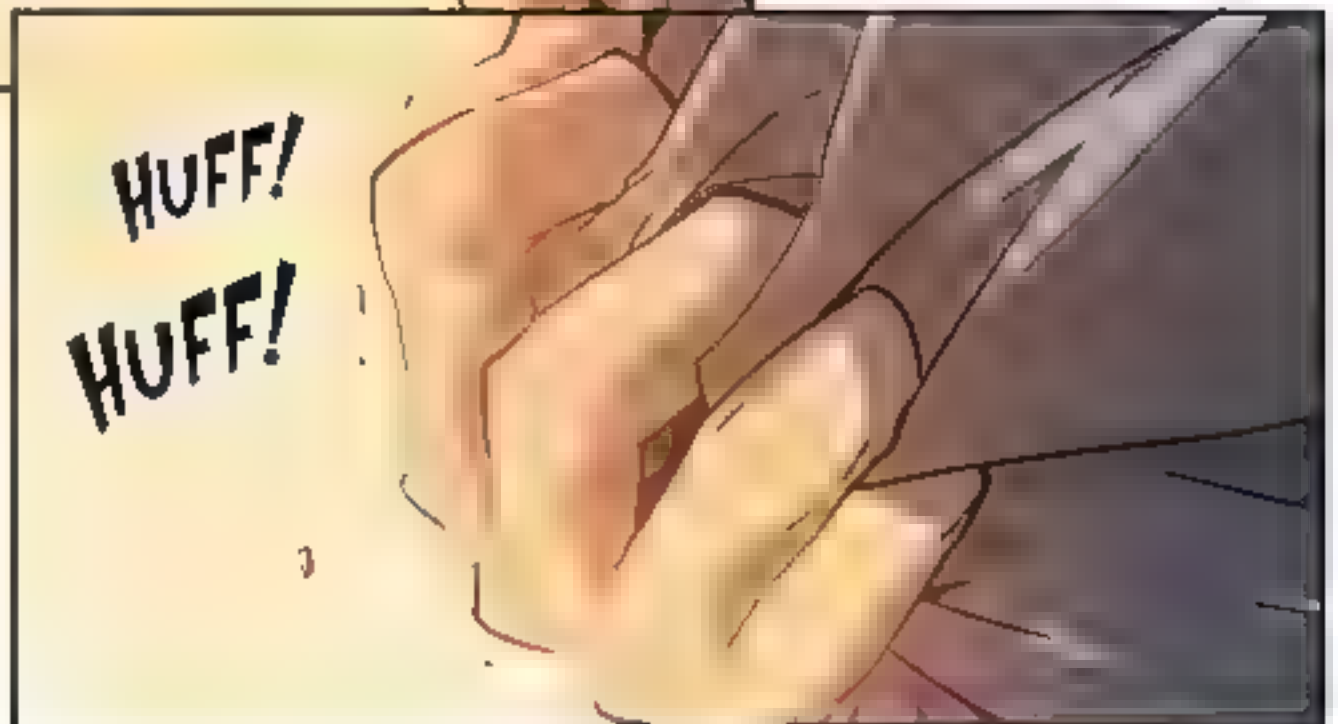
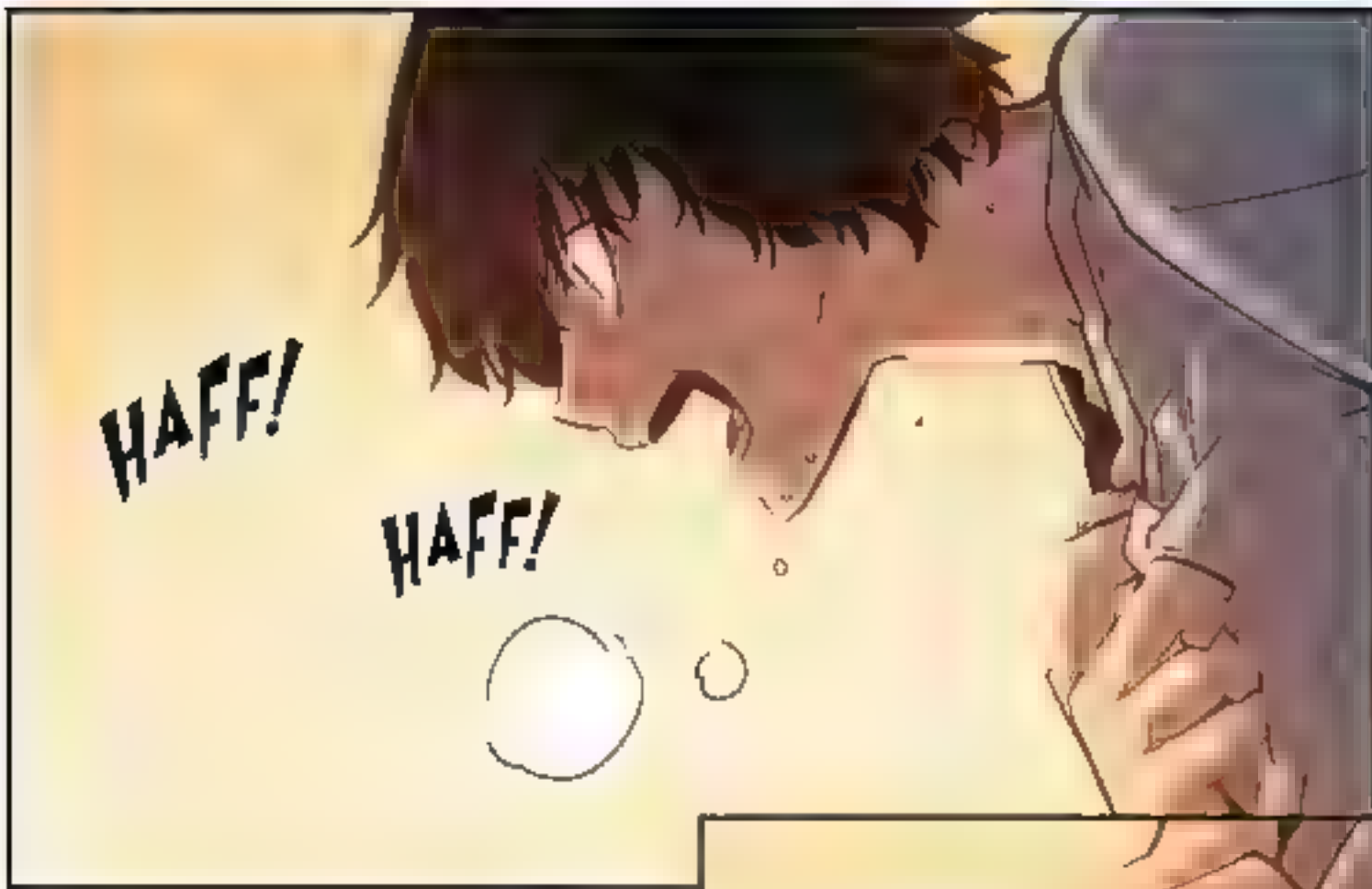
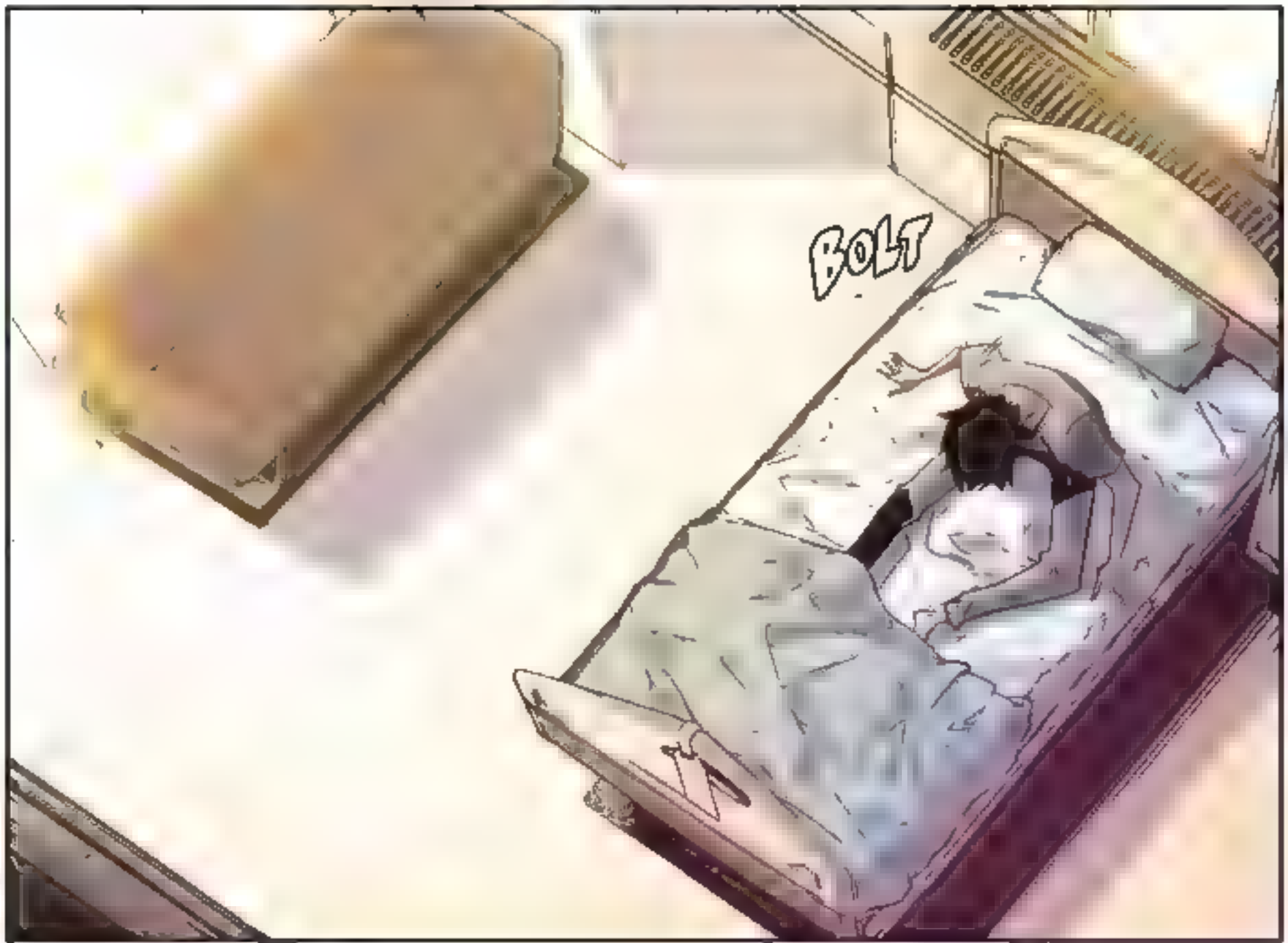
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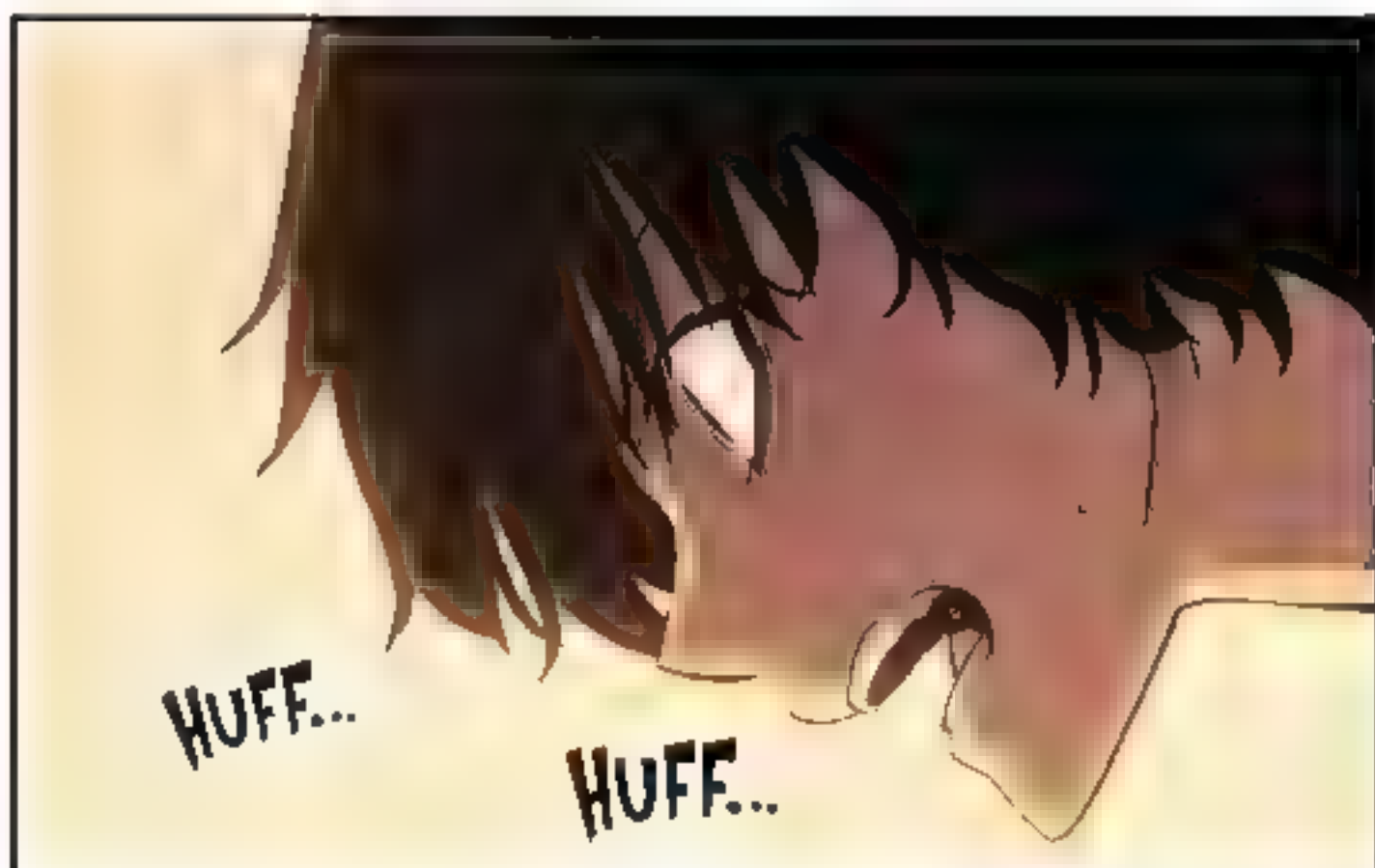


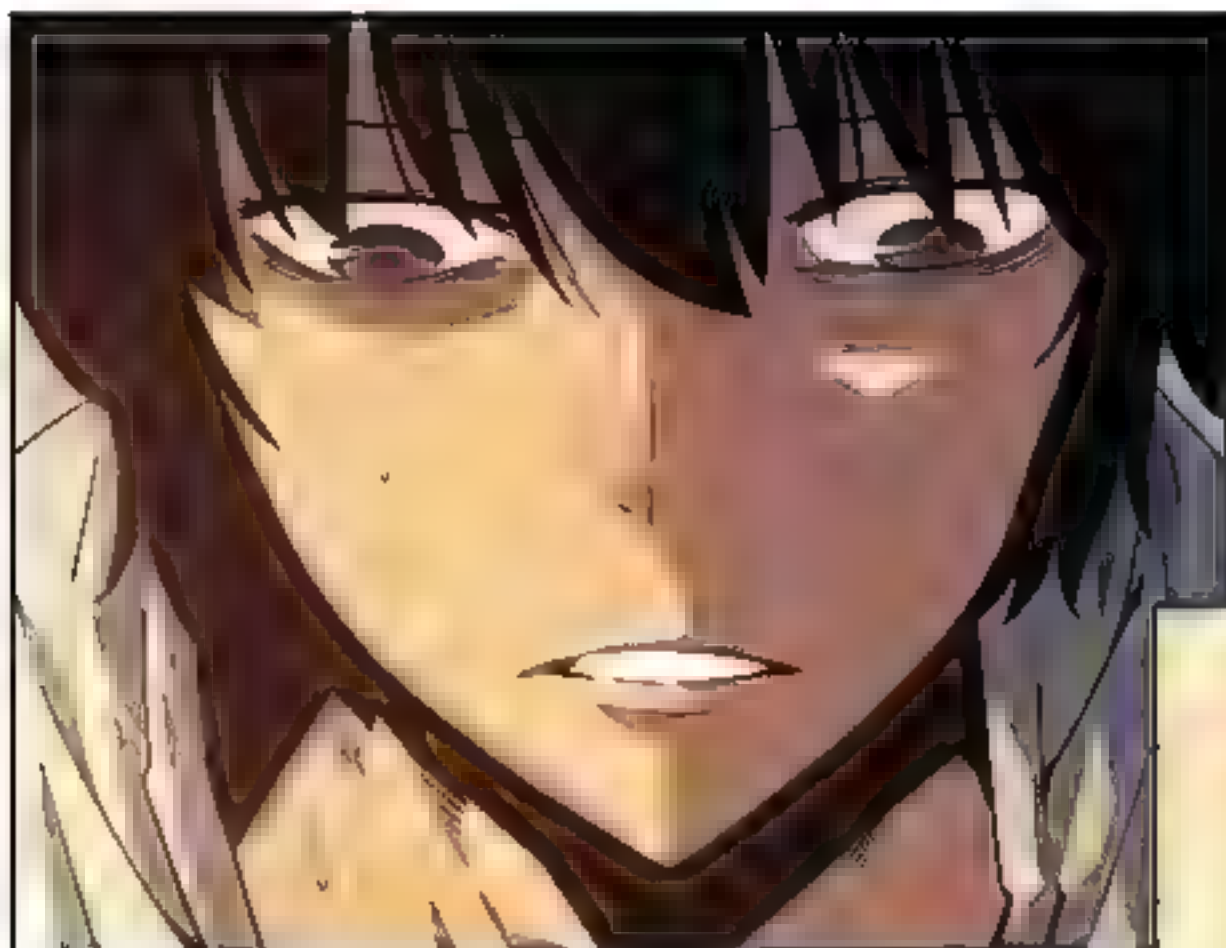
Solo
Leveling

[Congratulations on becoming a **Player.**]



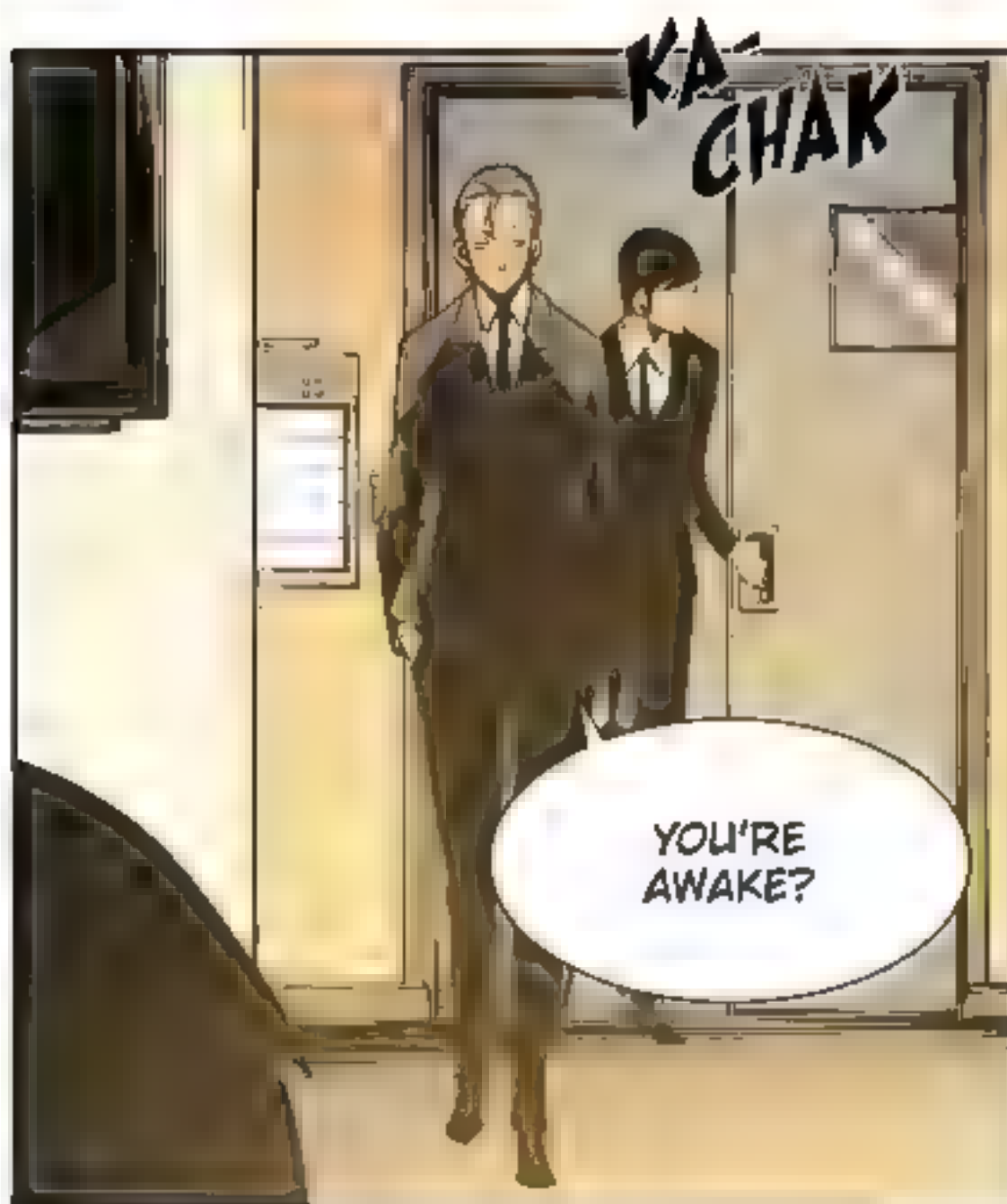
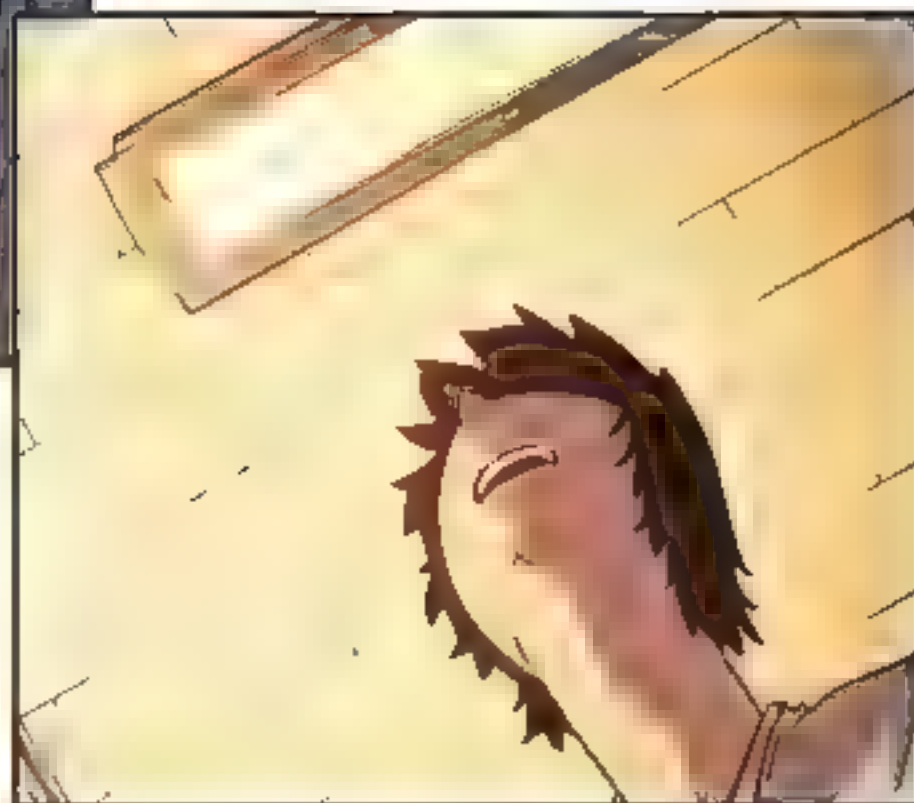


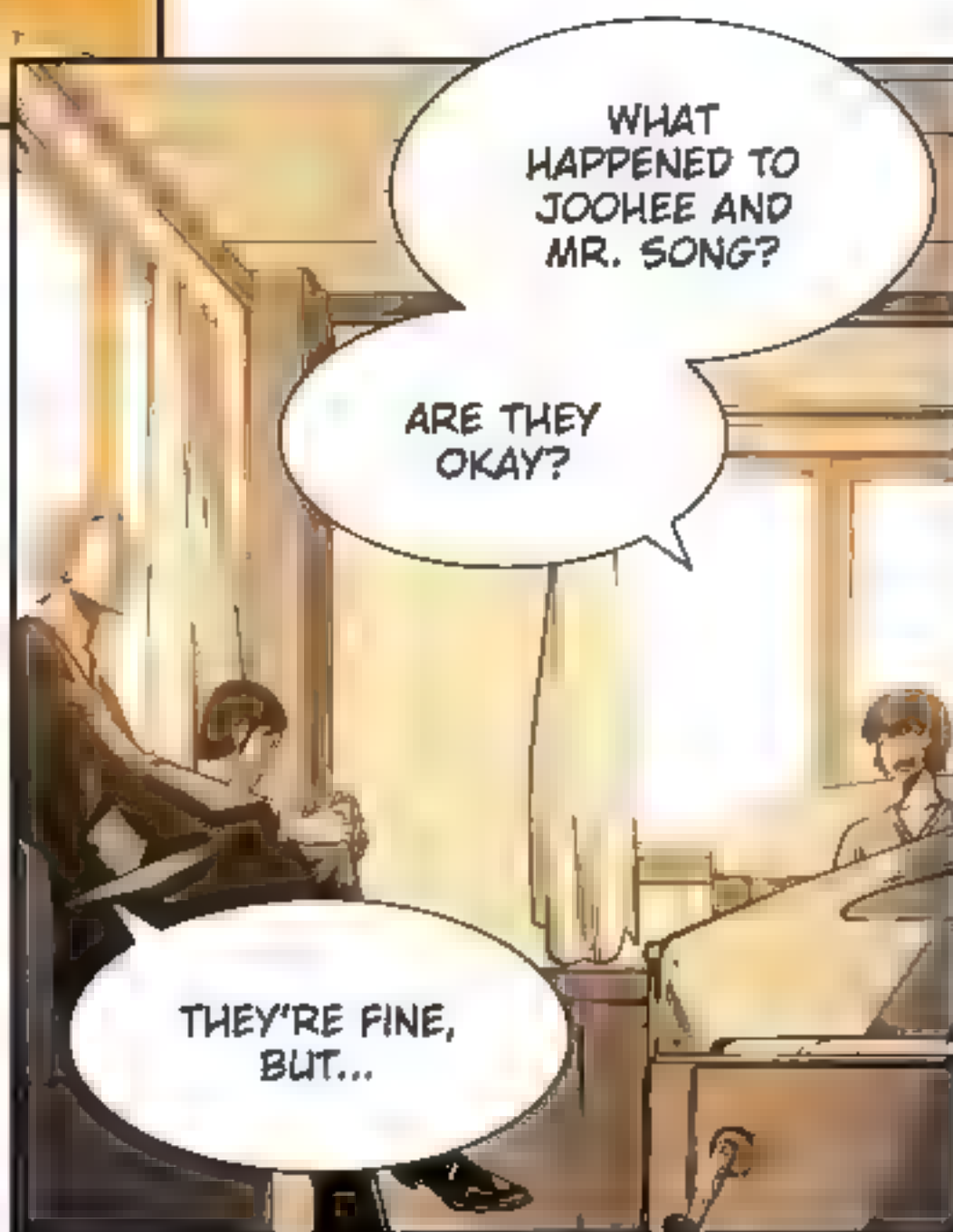
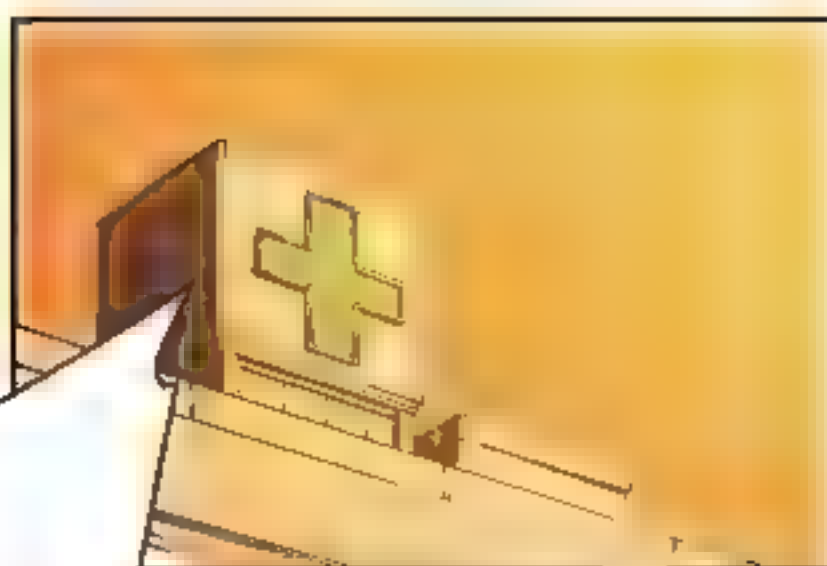




DREAM...?

WAS IT A DREAM?







...HUNTER CHIYUL
SONG LOST ONE OF HIS
ARMS. IT WILL MAKE
WORK CHALLENGING, SO
HE MAY RETIRE.

HUNTER JOOHEE LEE
IS BEING TREATED FOR
TRAUMA. I'M NOT SURE
IF EITHER OF THEM CAN
CONTINUE TO WORK AS
HUNTERS.

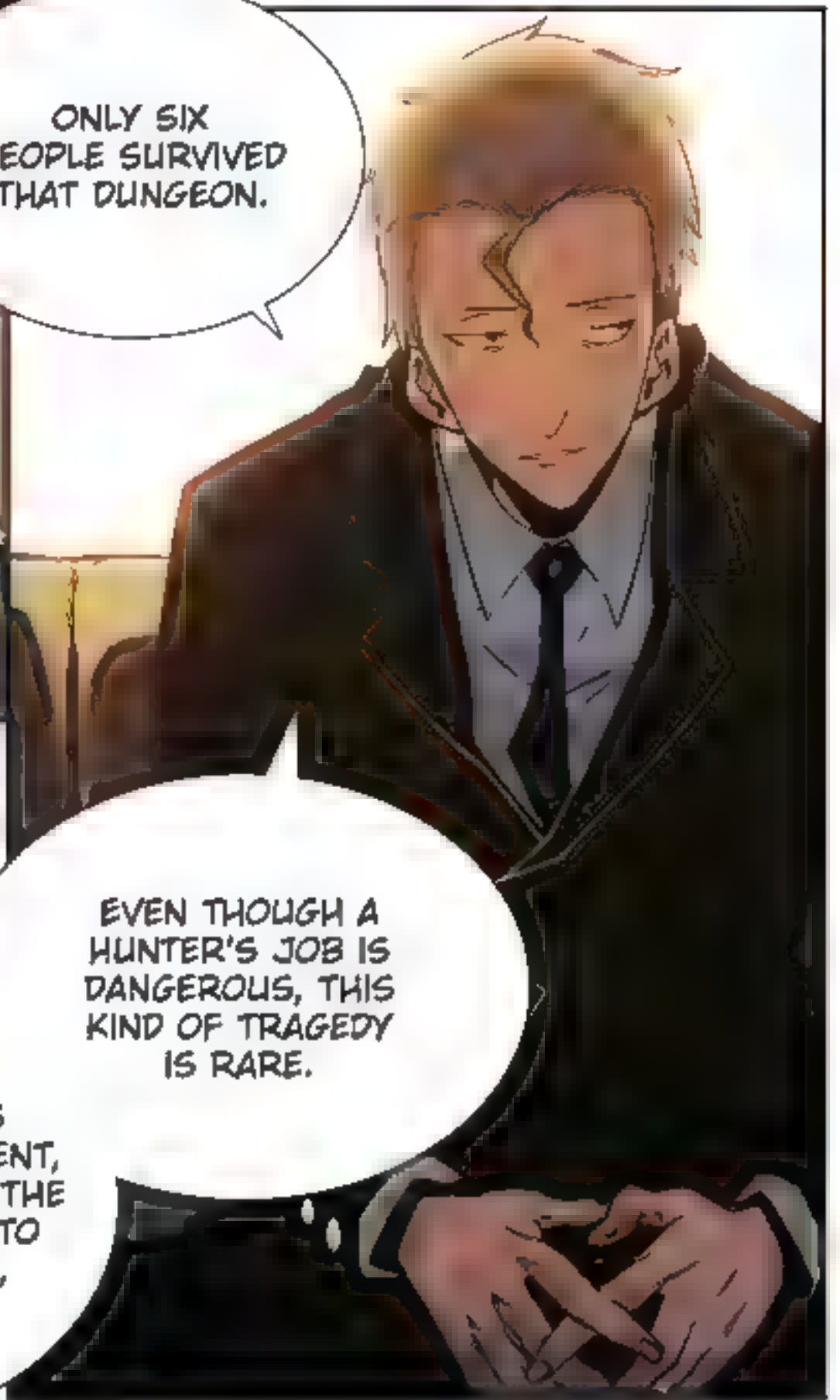
ABOUT HUNTER
SANGSHIK KIM AND THE
OTHER HUNTERS...

NO...
I DON'T NEED TO
HEAR IT.

THAT'S
ENOUGH.

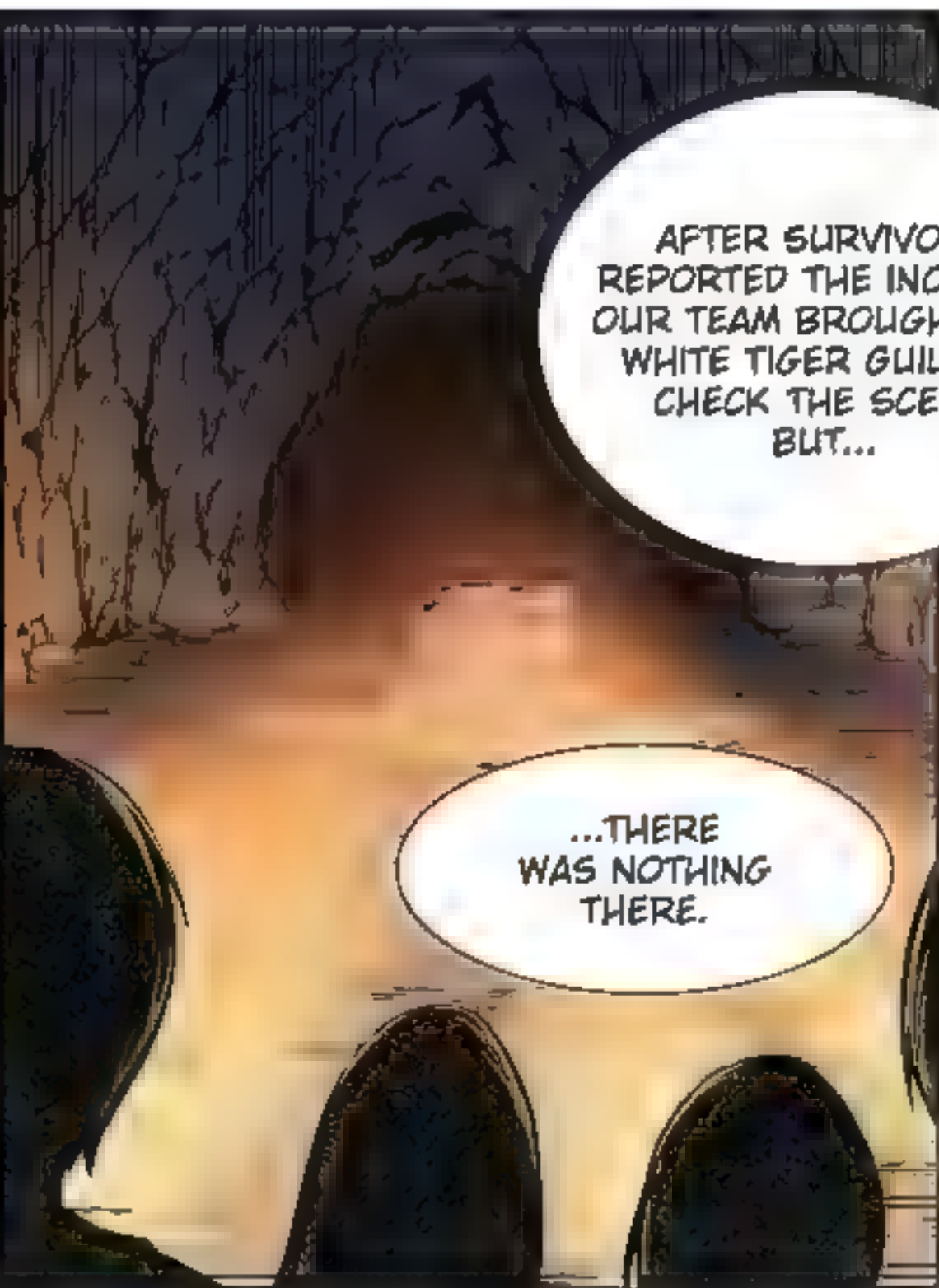


ONLY SIX
PEOPLE SURVIVED
THAT DUNGEON.

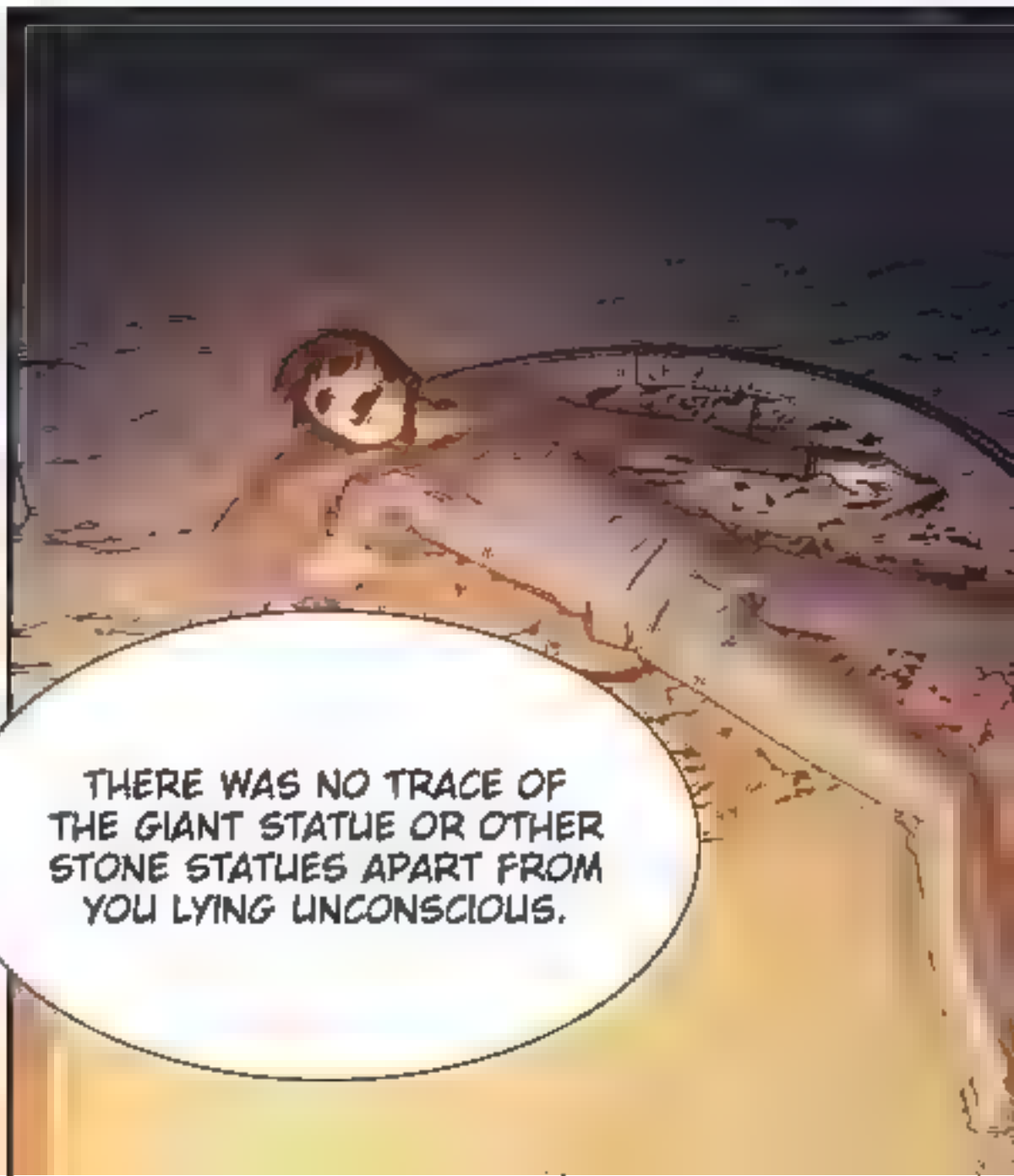


EVEN THOUGH A
HUNTER'S JOB IS
DANGEROUS, THIS
KIND OF TRAGEDY
IS RARE.

AFTER SURVIVORS
REPORTED THE INCIDENT,
OUR TEAM BROUGHT THE
WHITE TIGER GUILD TO
CHECK THE SCENE,
BUT...



...THERE
WAS NOTHING
THERE.



THERE WAS NO TRACE OF
THE GIANT STATUE OR OTHER
STONE STATUES APART FROM
YOU LYING UNCONSCIOUS.



NO WAY...!

WE
COULDN'T
BELIEVE IT
EITHER.

BUT THE
SURVIVORS' STORIES
WERE CONSISTENT, AND
WE FOUND THE VICTIMS'
REMAINS.

WE COULDN'T
EXPLAIN IT ANY
OTHER WAY...



...THAN TO THINK THAT
YOU HAD A SECOND
AWAKENING, HUNTER
JINWOO SUNG.

**A SECOND
AWAKENING?!**

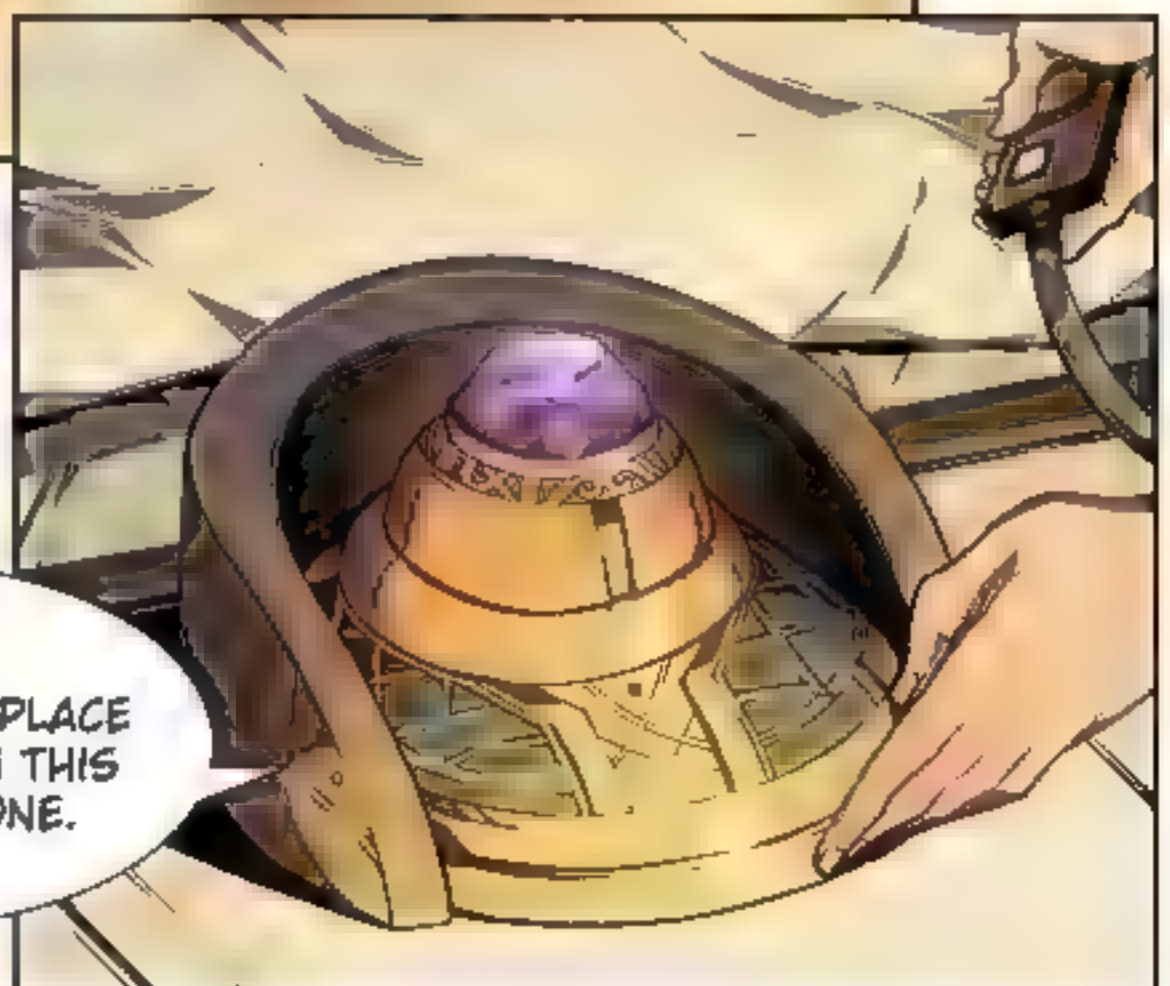
*A HUNTER'S ABILITY IS
ESTABLISHED WHEN THEY AWAKE.*

*IT'S RARE, BUT A PERSON WHO HAS
ALREADY AWAKENED AS A HUNTER
CAN HAVE A SECOND AWAKENING.*

*PUSHING BEYOND THEIR LIMITS, A
C-RANK HUNTER COULD LEVEL UP
TO A-RANK, AND A B-RANK COULD
SOMETIMES LEVEL UP TO S-RANK.*

THIS IS A
MANA METER.

ALL YOU
HAVE TO DO IS PLACE
YOUR HAND ON THIS
ESSENCE STONE.





IF THEY REALLY MET
INSTAKILL-LEVEL MAGIC
BEASTS, AN AVERAGE
HUNTER COULDN'T
HANDLE IT.

WE WOULD'VE
SUMMONED A-RANK AND
EVEN S-RANK HUNTERS
TO DEAL WITH ANYTHING
THAT POWERFUL.

BUT THOSE
HIGH-LEVEL
MAGIC BEASTS
DISAPPEARED
WITHOUT A
TRACE...

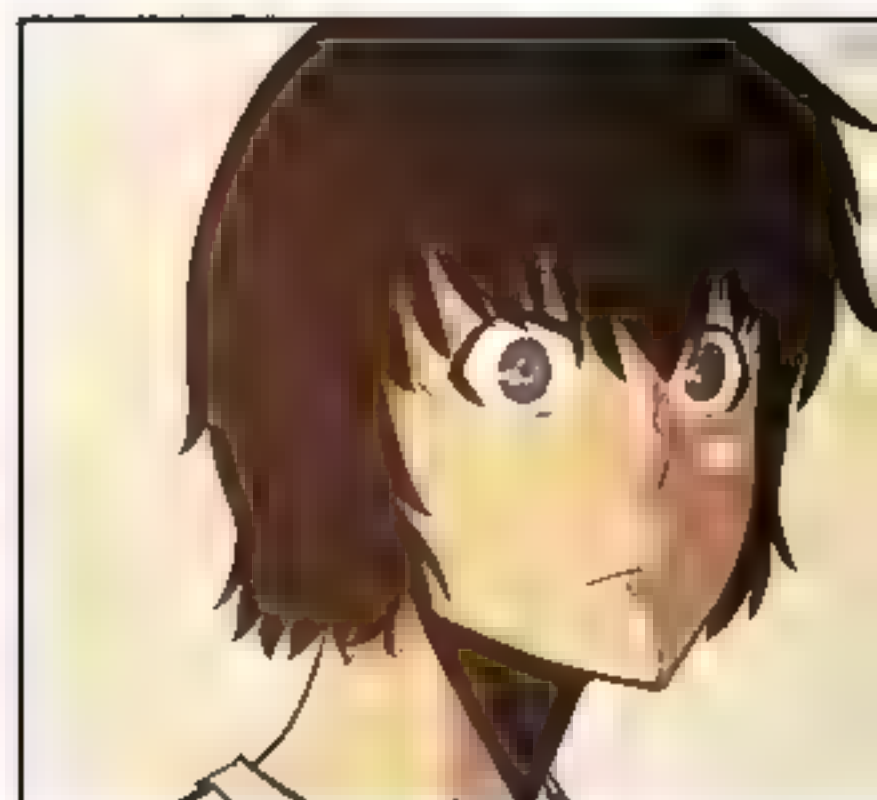
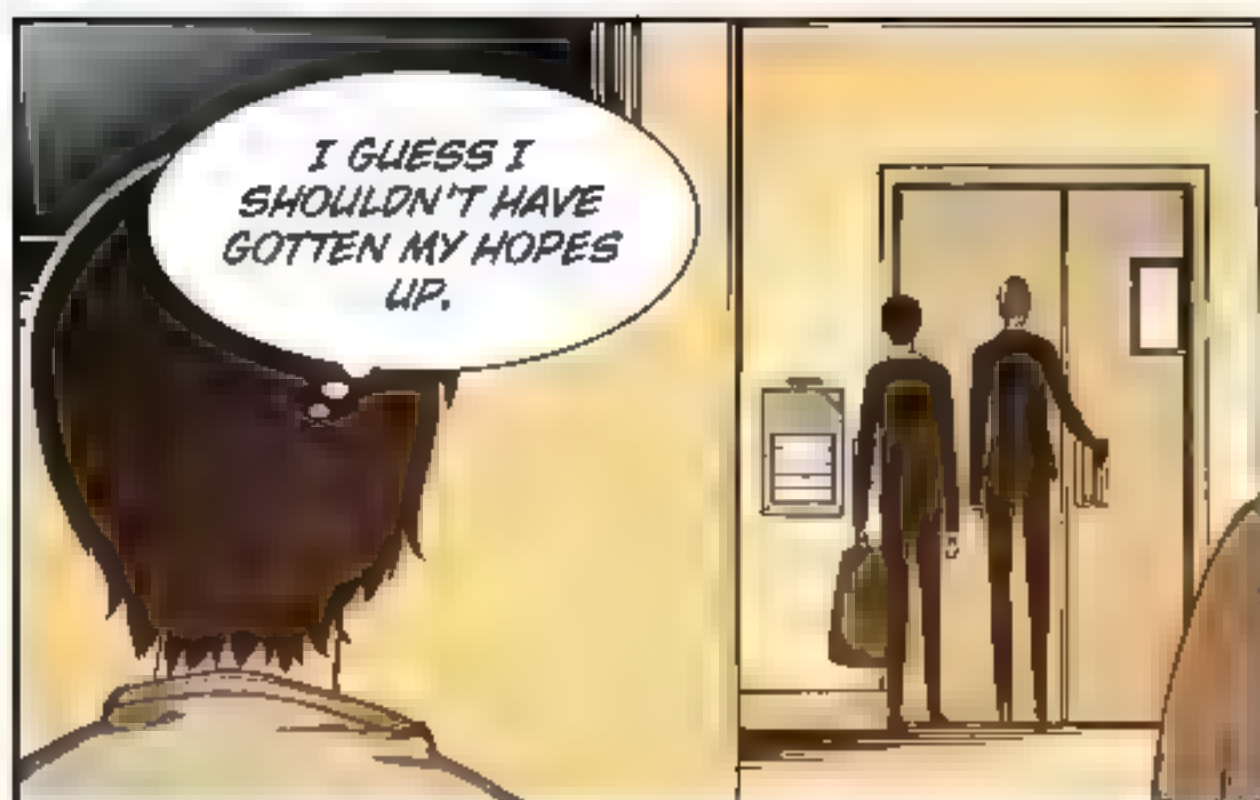


THE ONLY POSSIBILITY
WOULD BE FOR THE
LAST HUNTER IN THE
DUNGEON, JINWOO SUNG,
TO HAVE HAD A SECOND
AWAKENING.

HOWEVER...

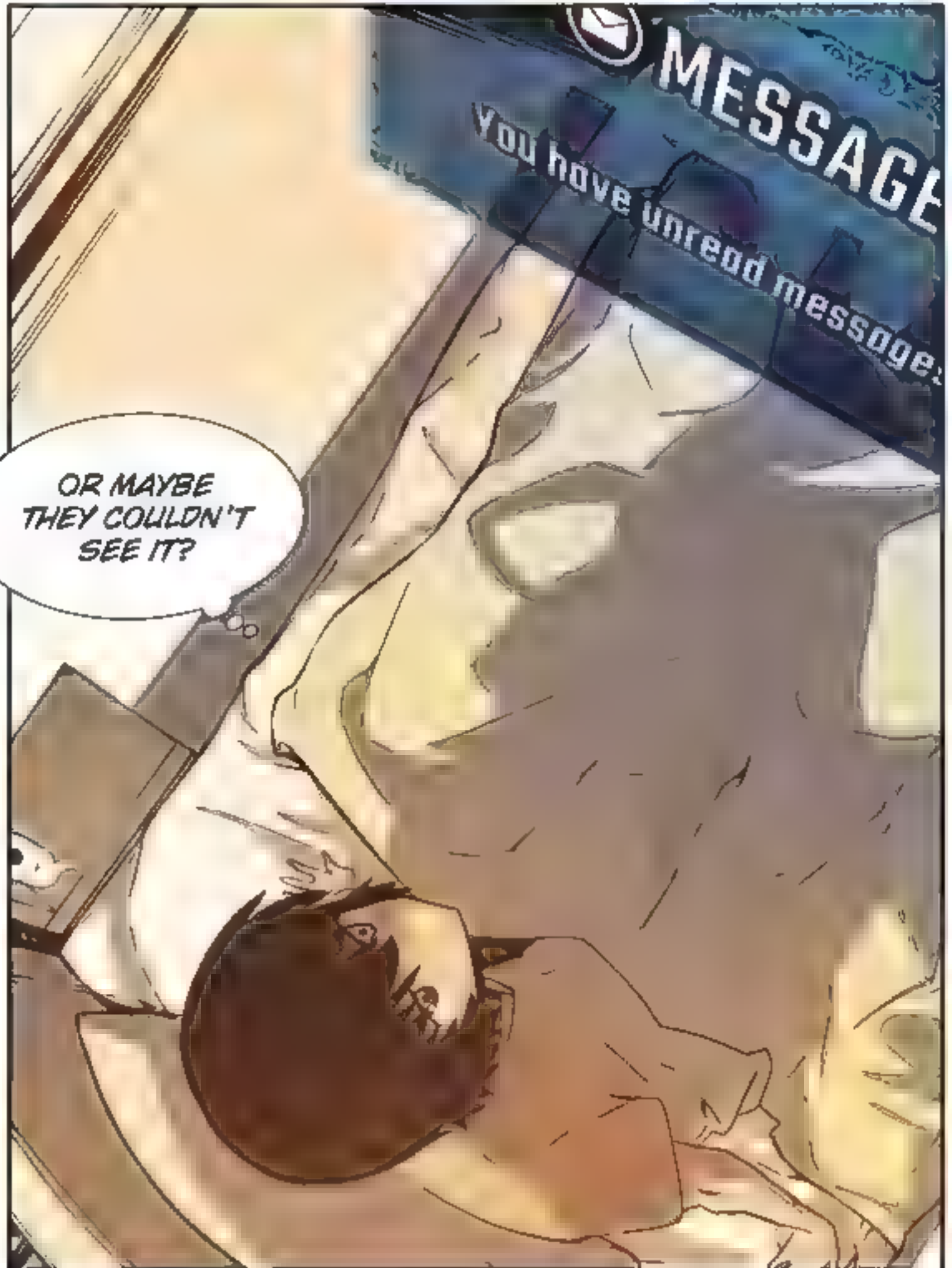
DEET-DEET-DEET

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SO...THIS
THING DIDN'T
BOTHER THEM?

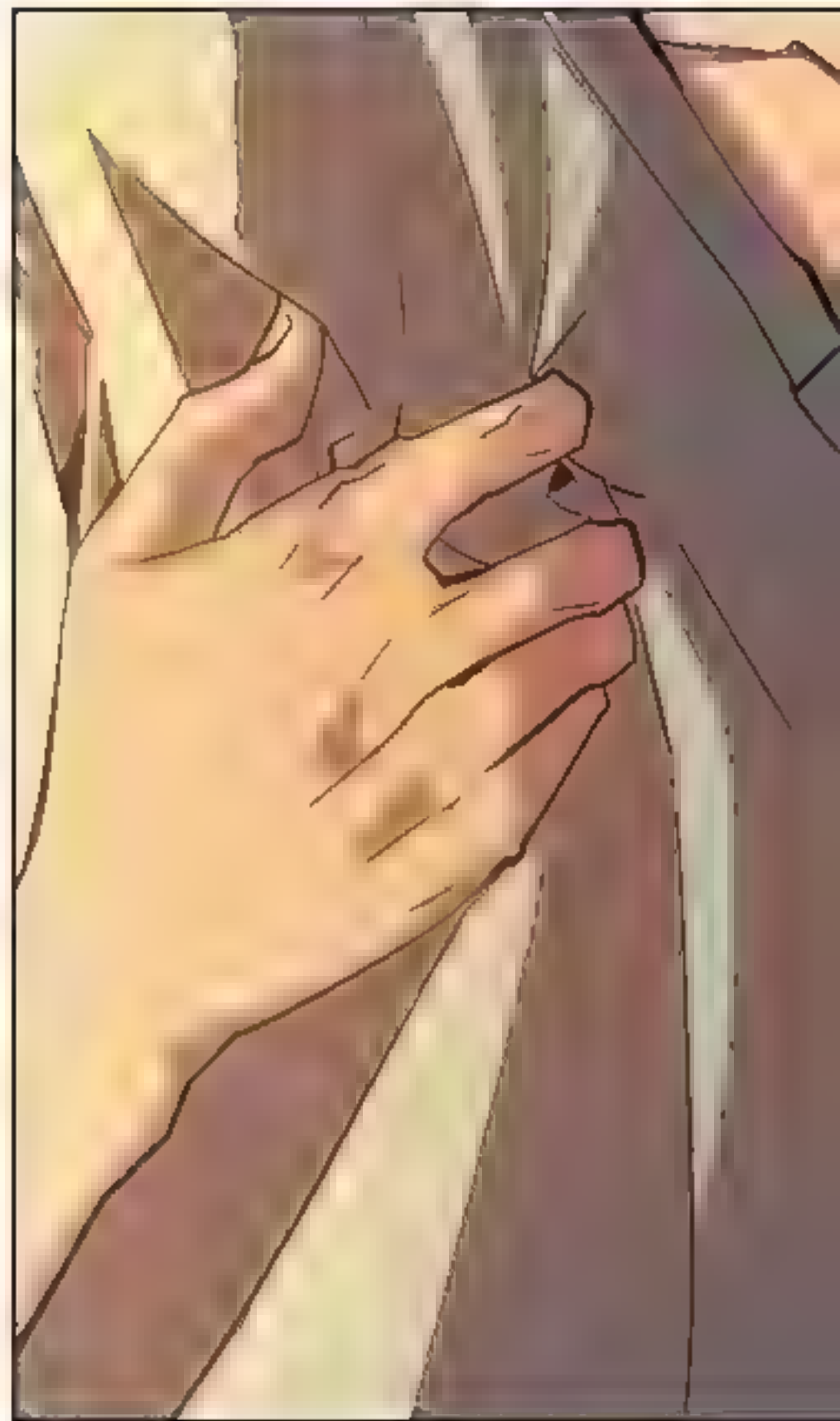


OR MAYBE
THEY COULDN'T
SEE IT?

MY SEVERED
LEG IS FINE...



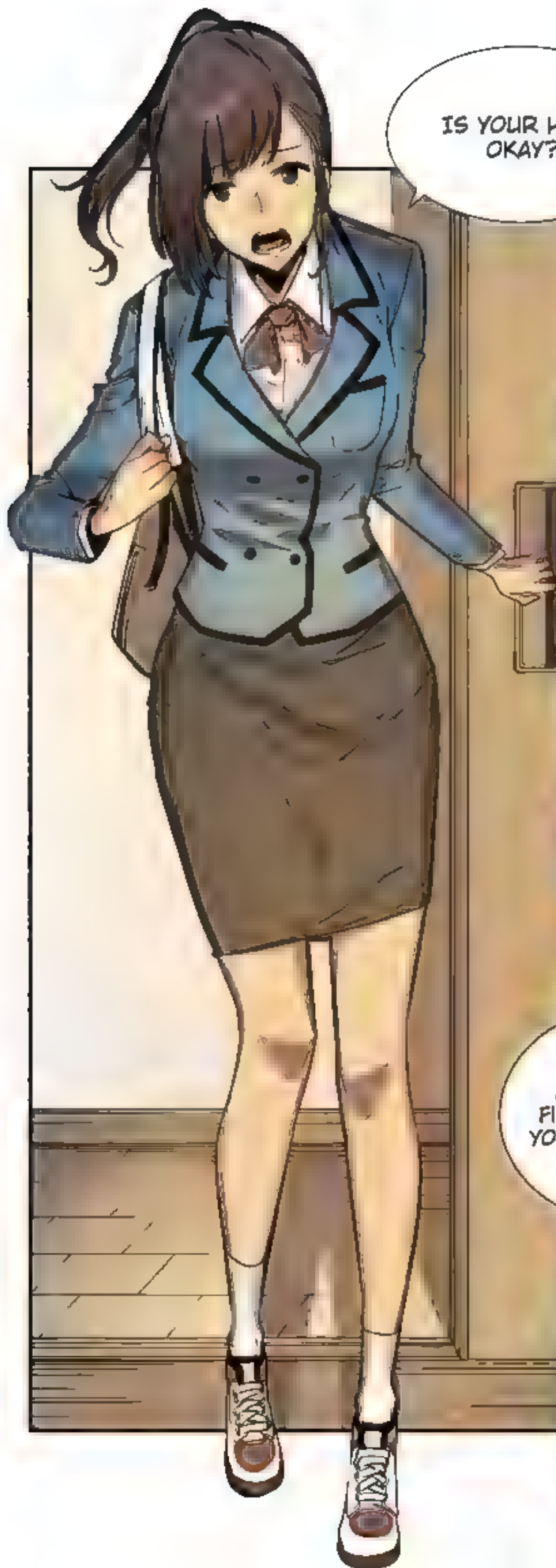
...AND NOT EVEN A SCRATCH
WHERE I WAS STABBED THROUGH
BEFORE I DIED.



WHAT WAS A DREAM...
AND WHAT WAS REAL...?







IS YOUR HEAD
OKAY?

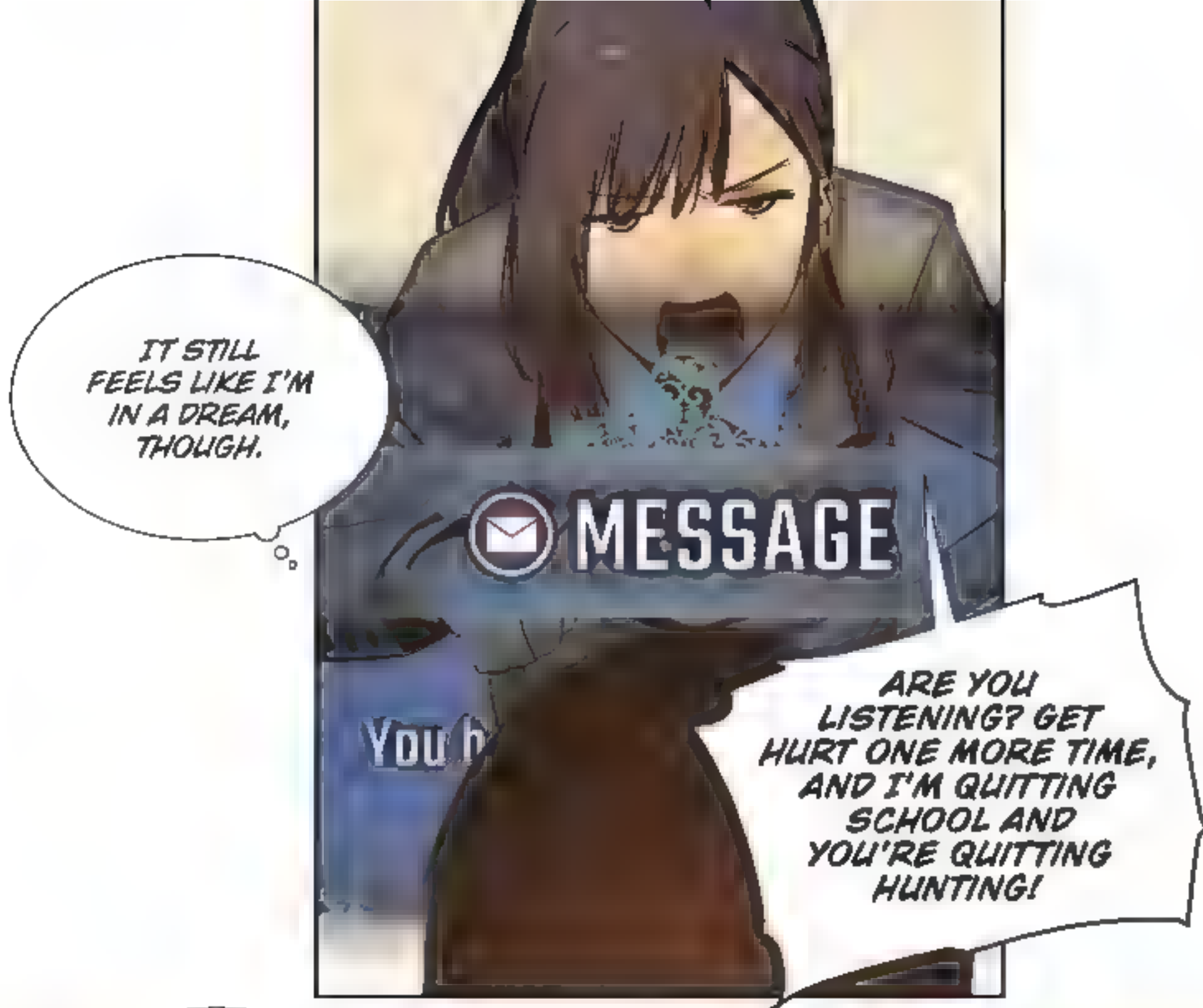
STOP GETTING
HURT!

DO YOU KNOW
HOW WORRIED
I WAS?!

...I'M
SORRY.

OTHER
HUNTERS ARE
FINE, SO WHY DO
YOU KEEP GETTING
HURT?

HOW COULD I
EVER LEAVE HER
BEHIND?



WHAT DO YOU
DO IF YOU HAVE
AN UNREAD
MESSAGE...

...WHEN
YOU'RE PLAYING
A GAME?

MESSAGE

unread messages

SERIOUSLY,
DID YOU HURT
YOUR HEAD?

OPEN YOUR
INBOX.

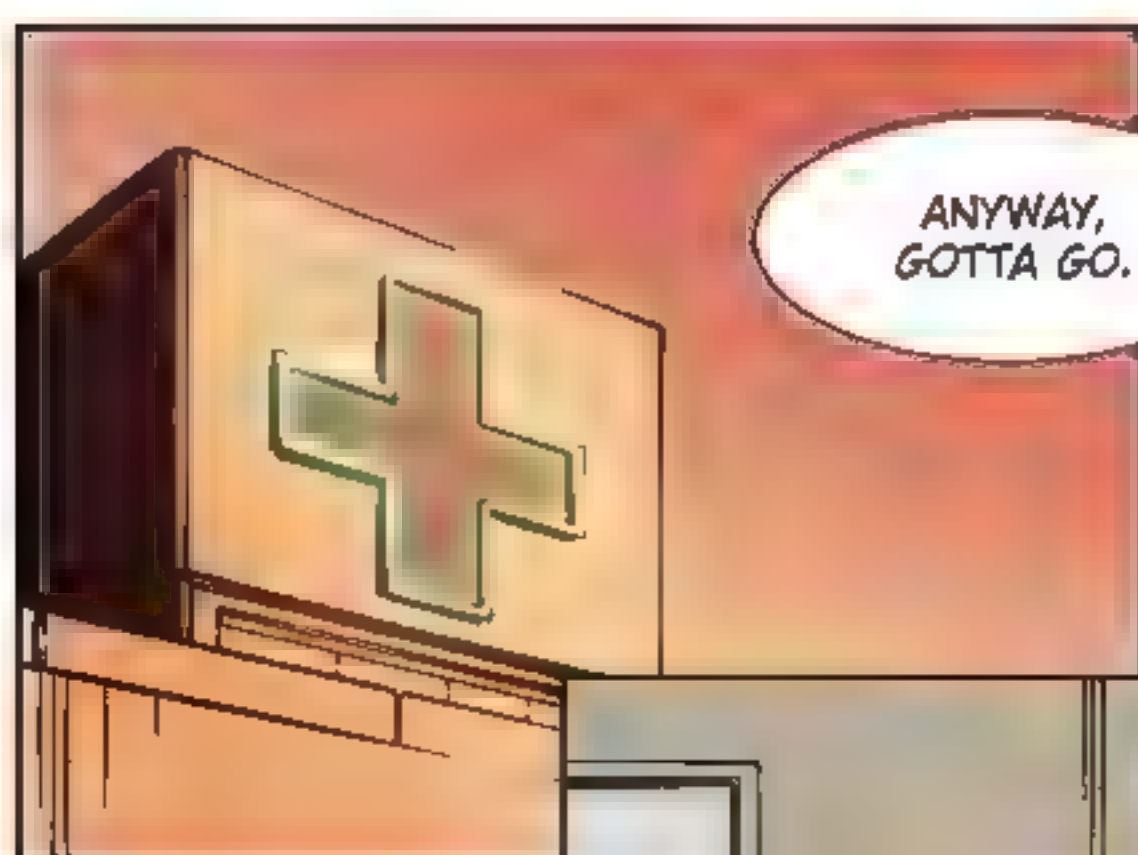
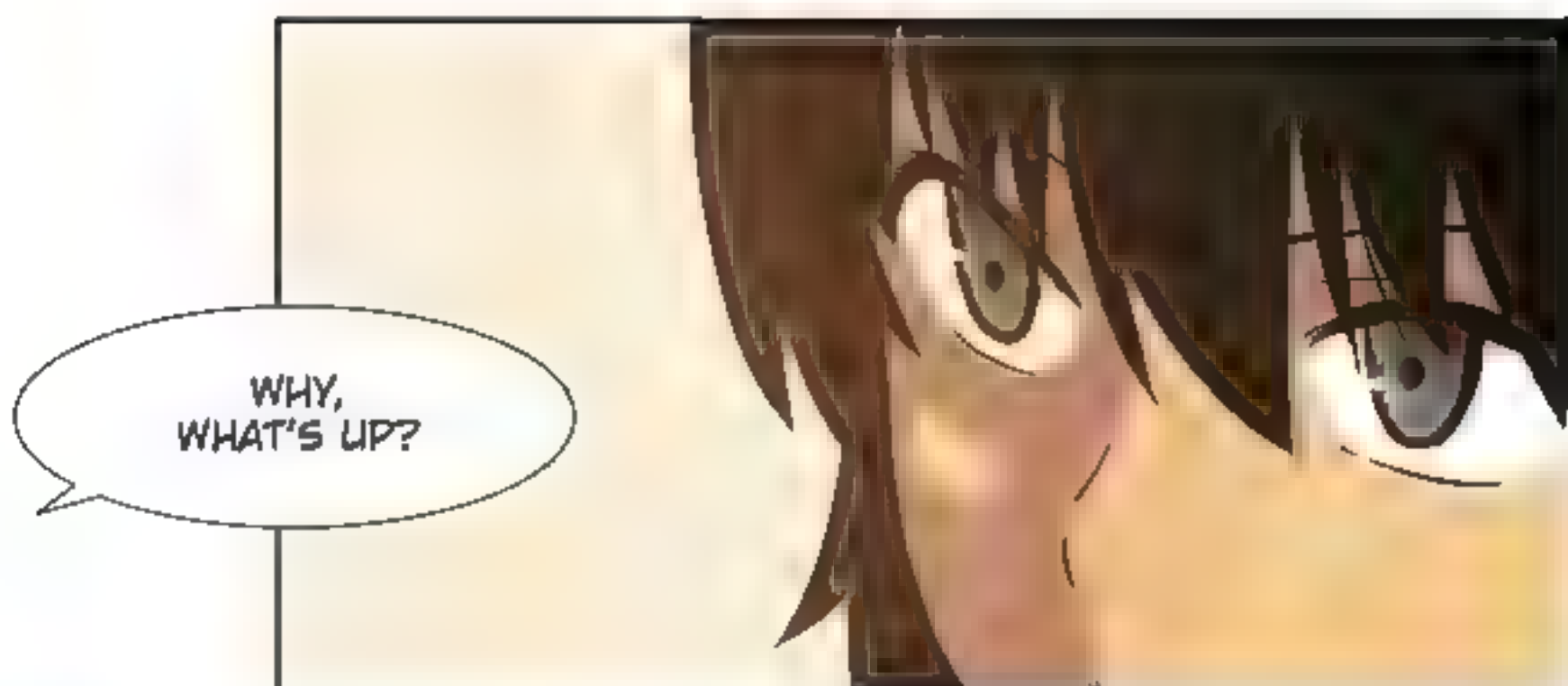
OPEN THE
INBOX?

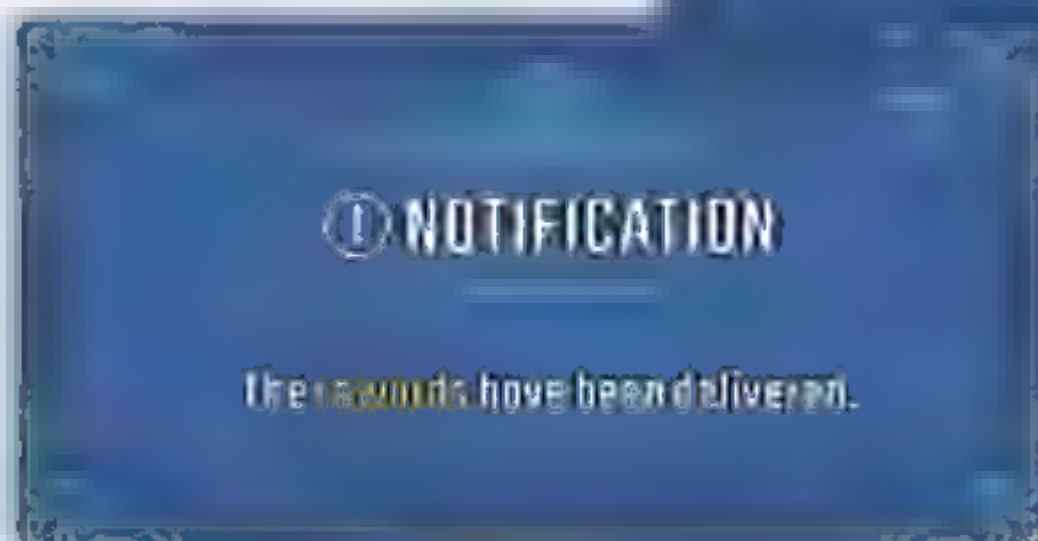
PING!

MESSAGE

[Congratulations on becoming
a **Player**.] (unread)

[Daily Quest: Strength Training
has arrived.] (unread)





BUT I THINK...
I SAW SOMETHING
SIMILAR WHEN I WAS
LEFT ALONE ON THE
ALTAR...

○ NOTIFICATION

You have fulfilled all
the key elements to
complete Secret Quest
"Strongest of the World"

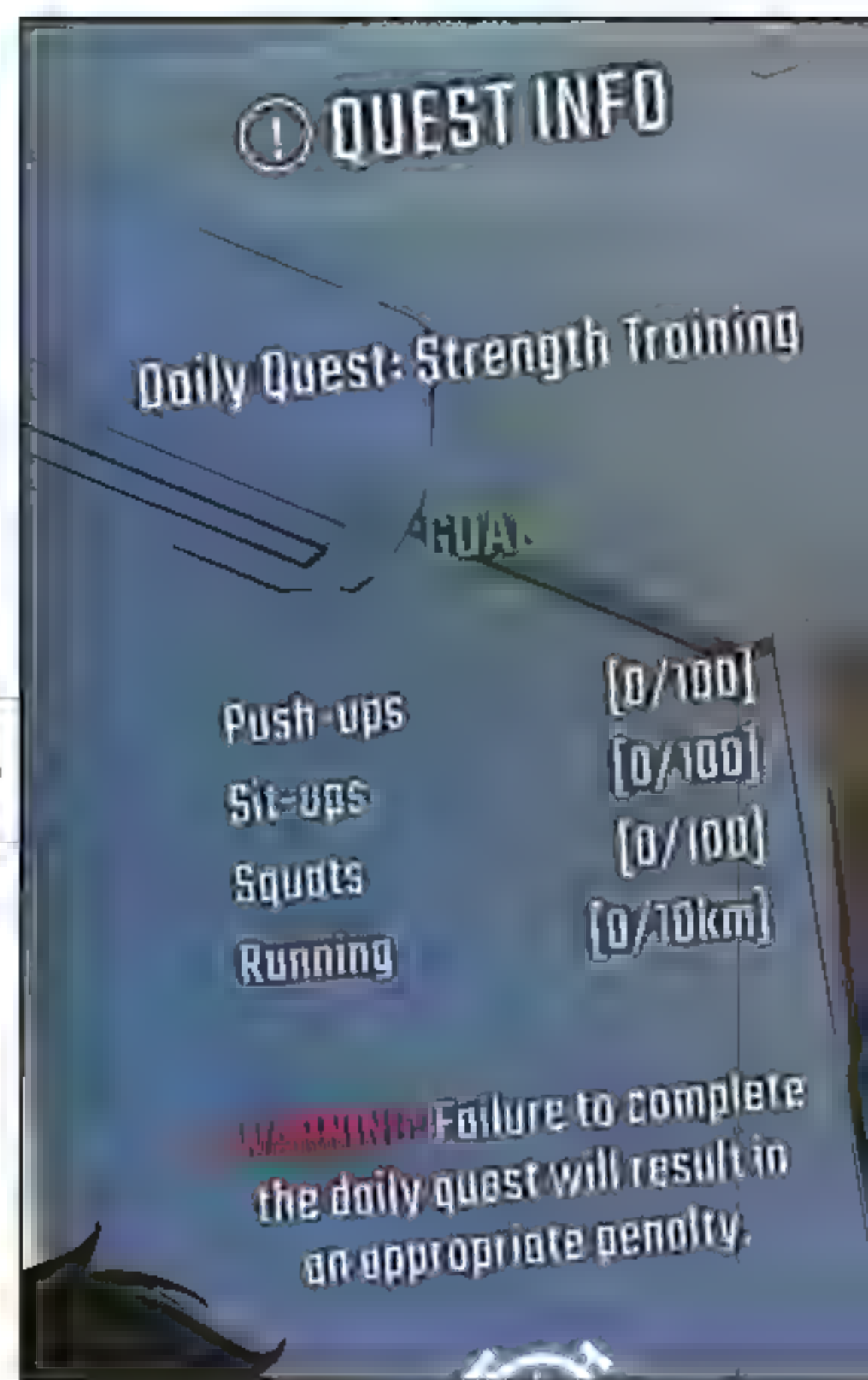
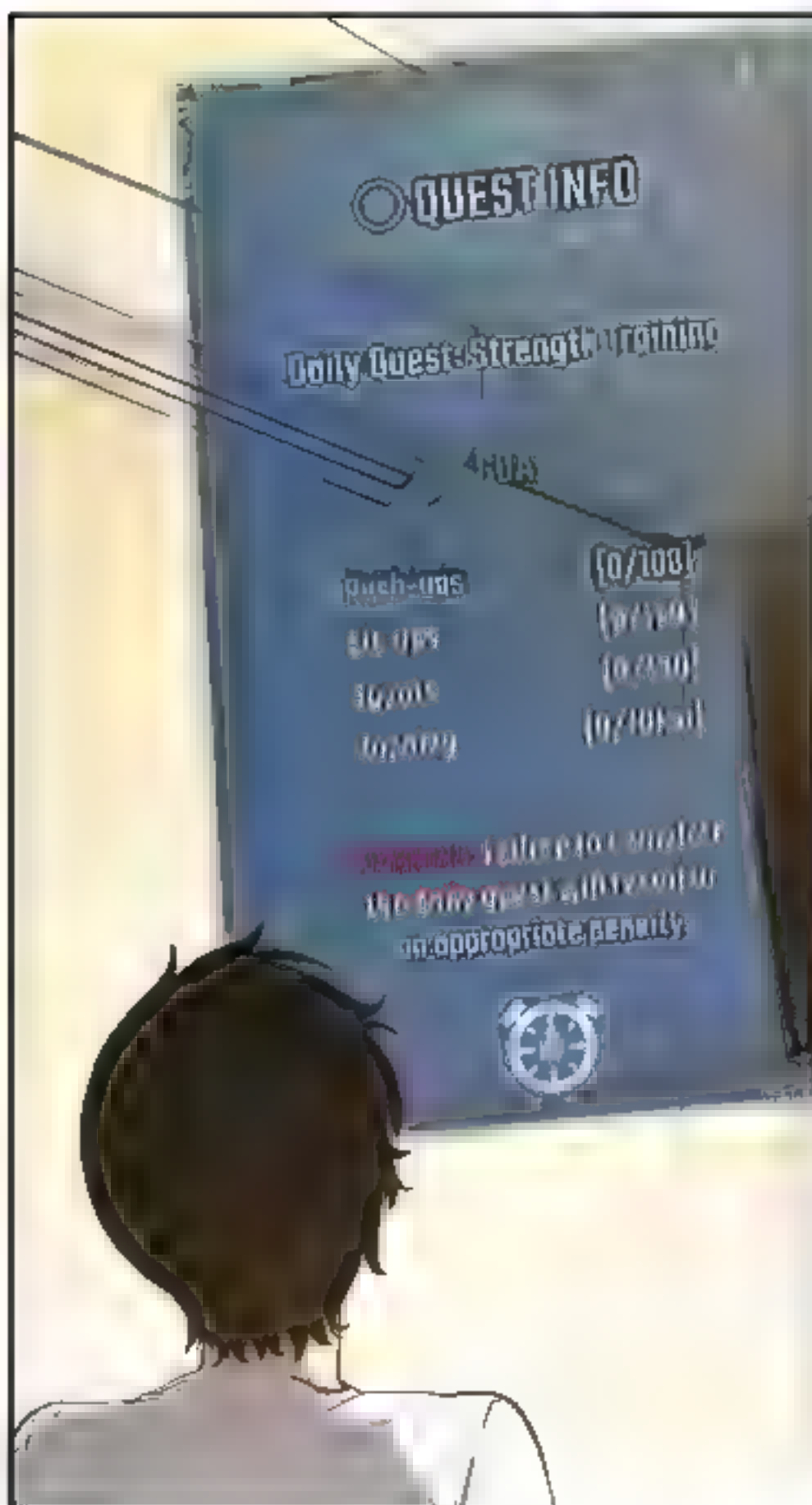
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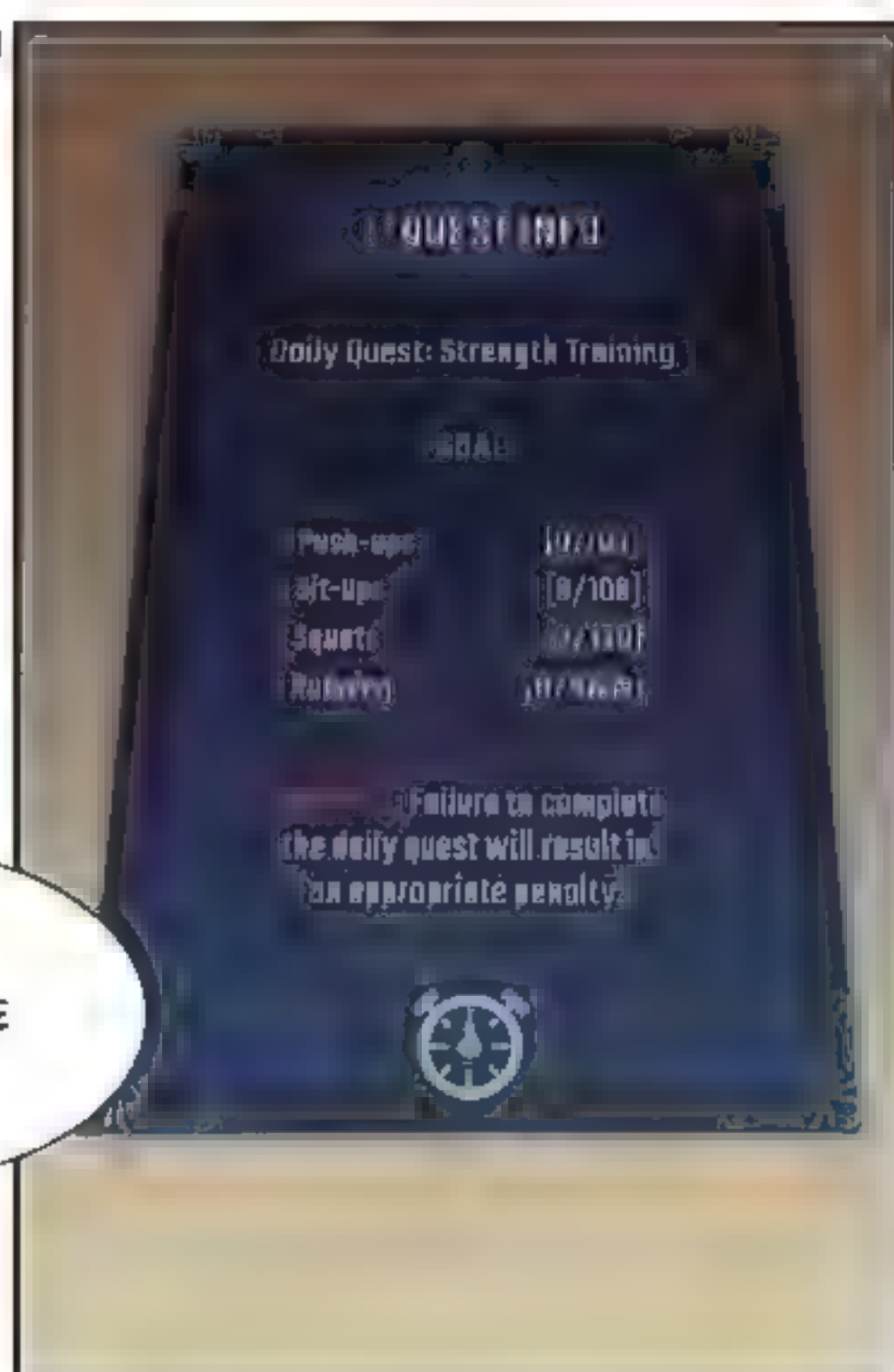
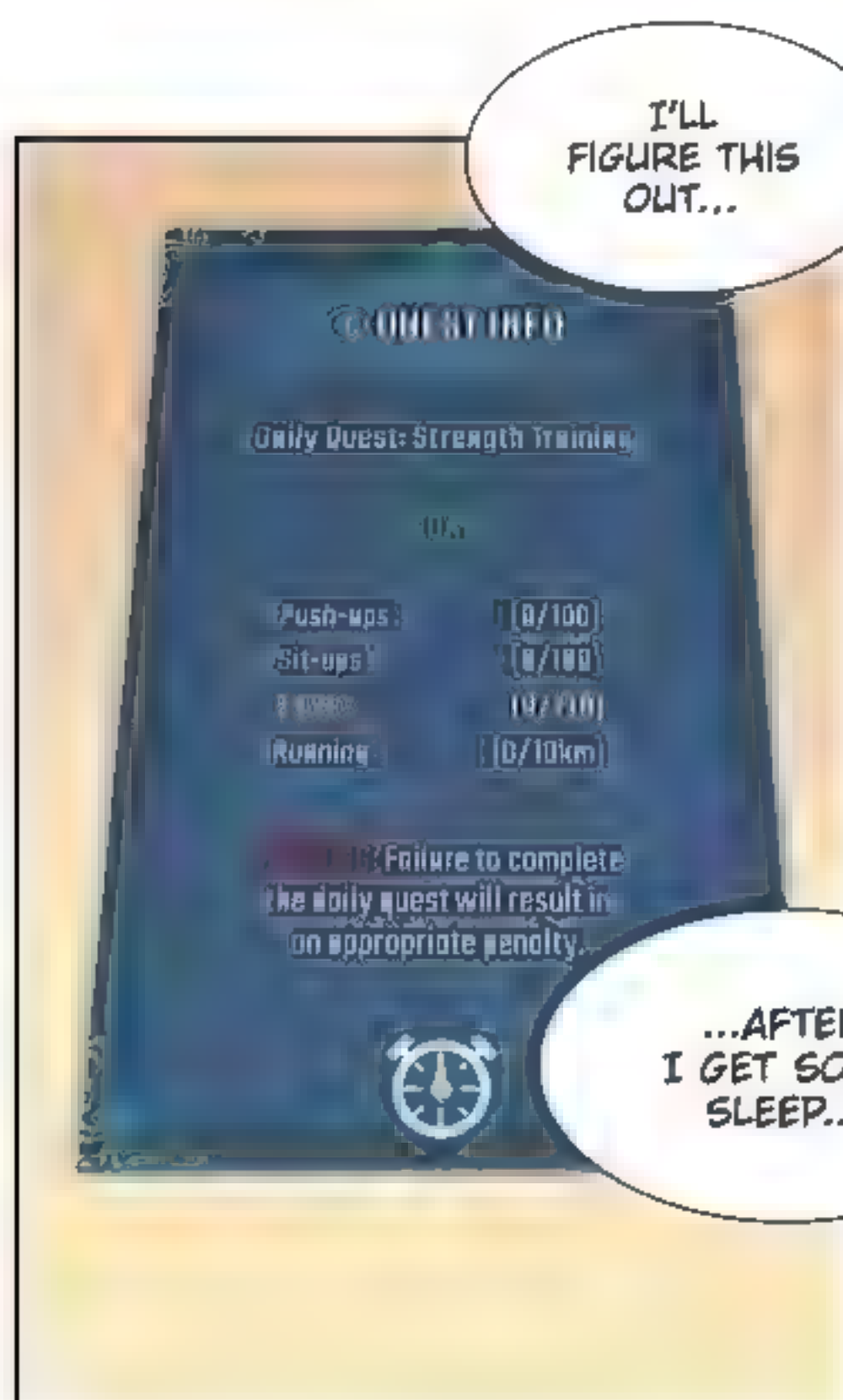
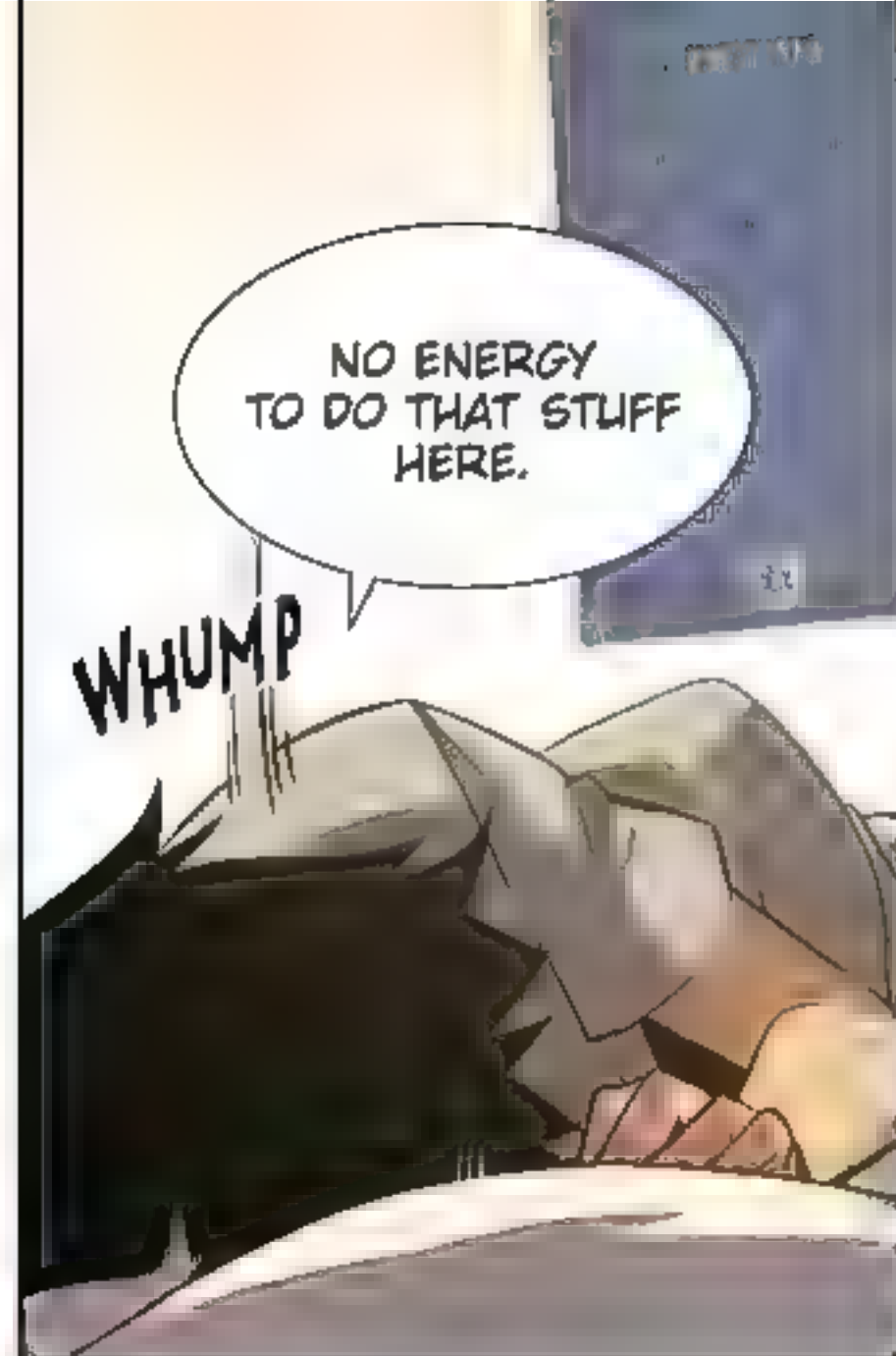
✉ MESSAGE

[Daily Quest: Strength Training
has arrived.] (URGENT)

"STRENGTH
TRAINING"?

READ.





WARNING Failure to complete
the daily quest will result in
an appropriate penalty.



! NOTIFICATION

You have not completed the daily
quest. You will be transferred to
the **penalty zone** for the allotted time.





RRR

M
M

WAH...
EARTHQUAKE?!

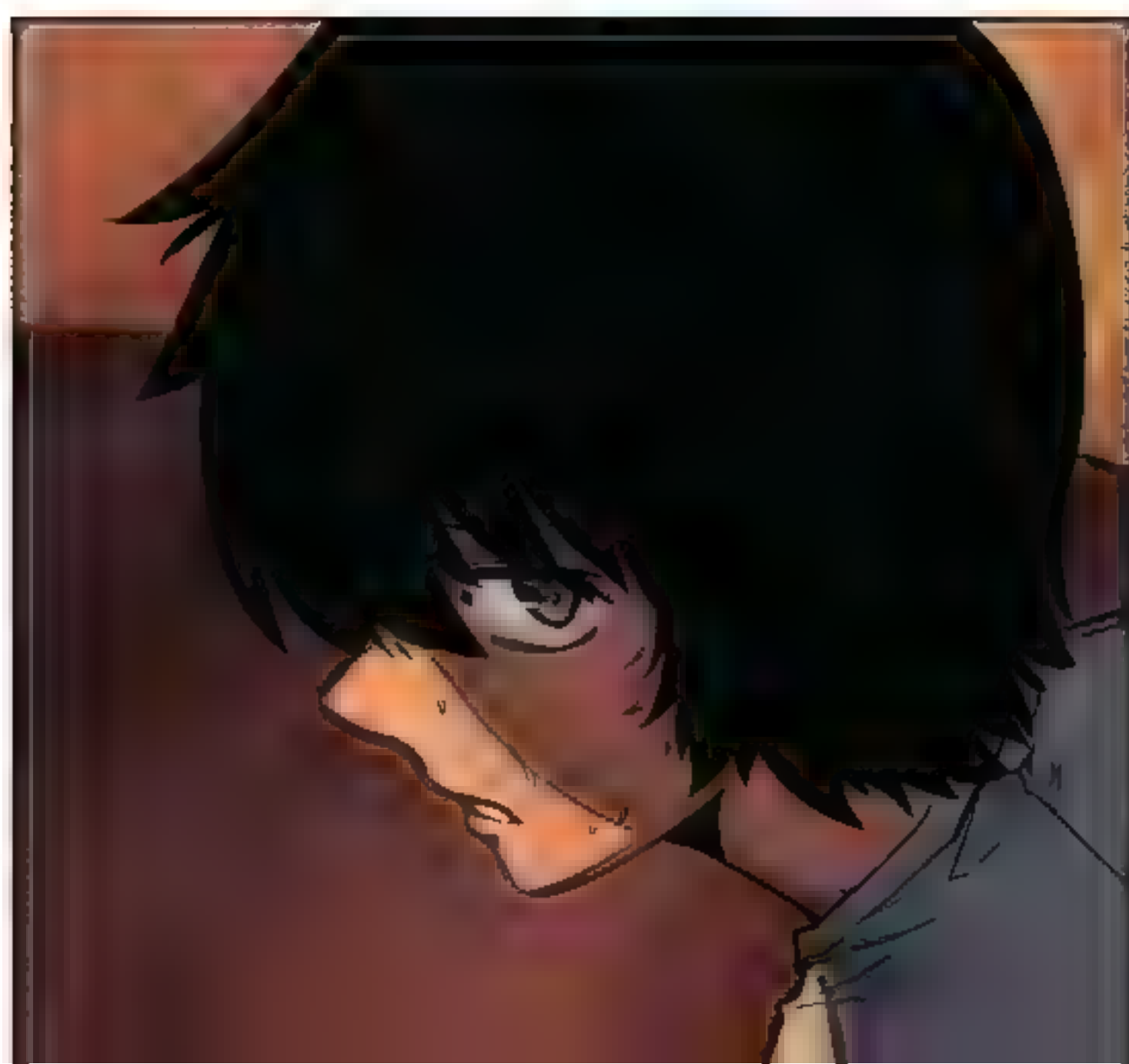
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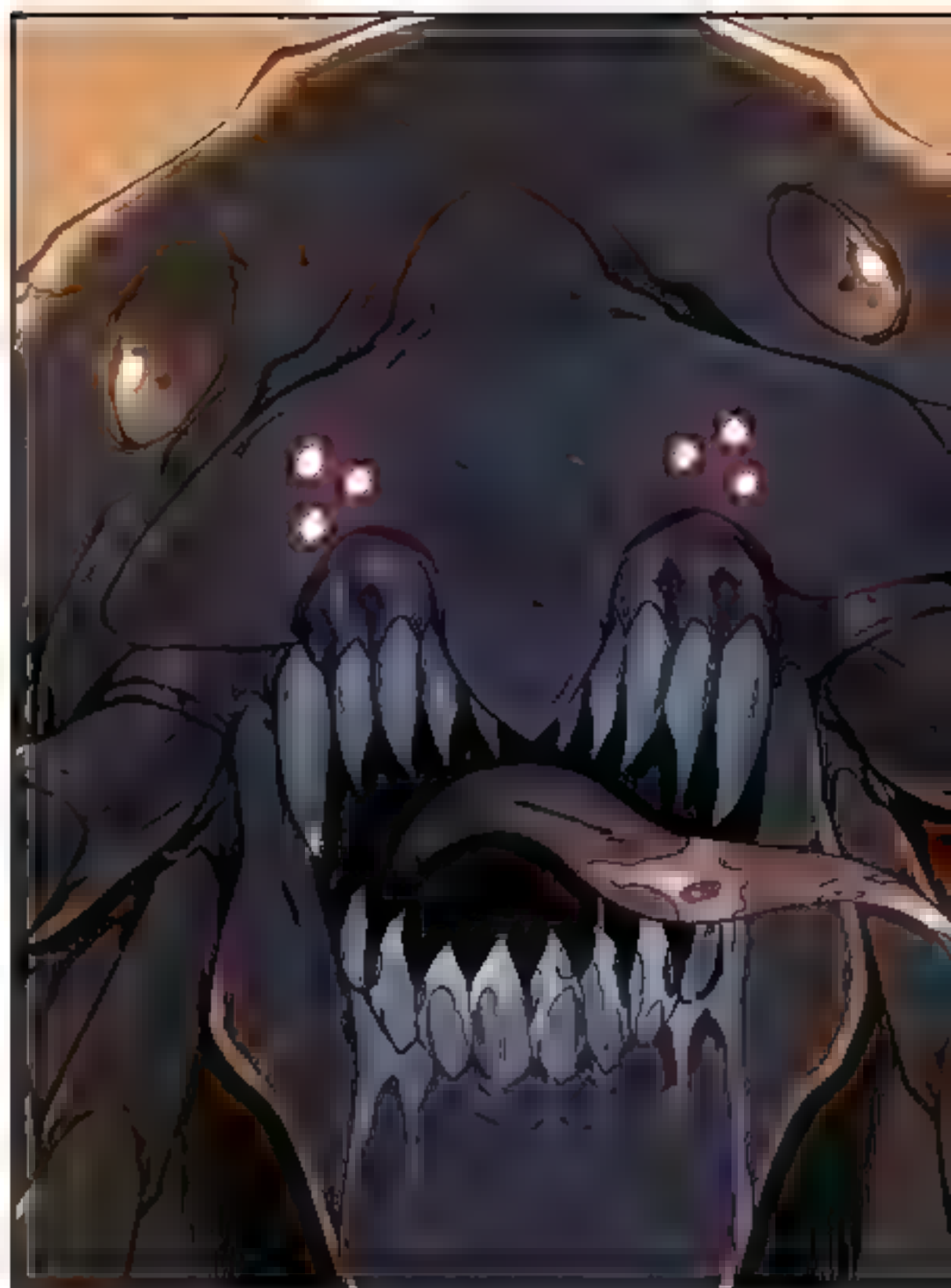
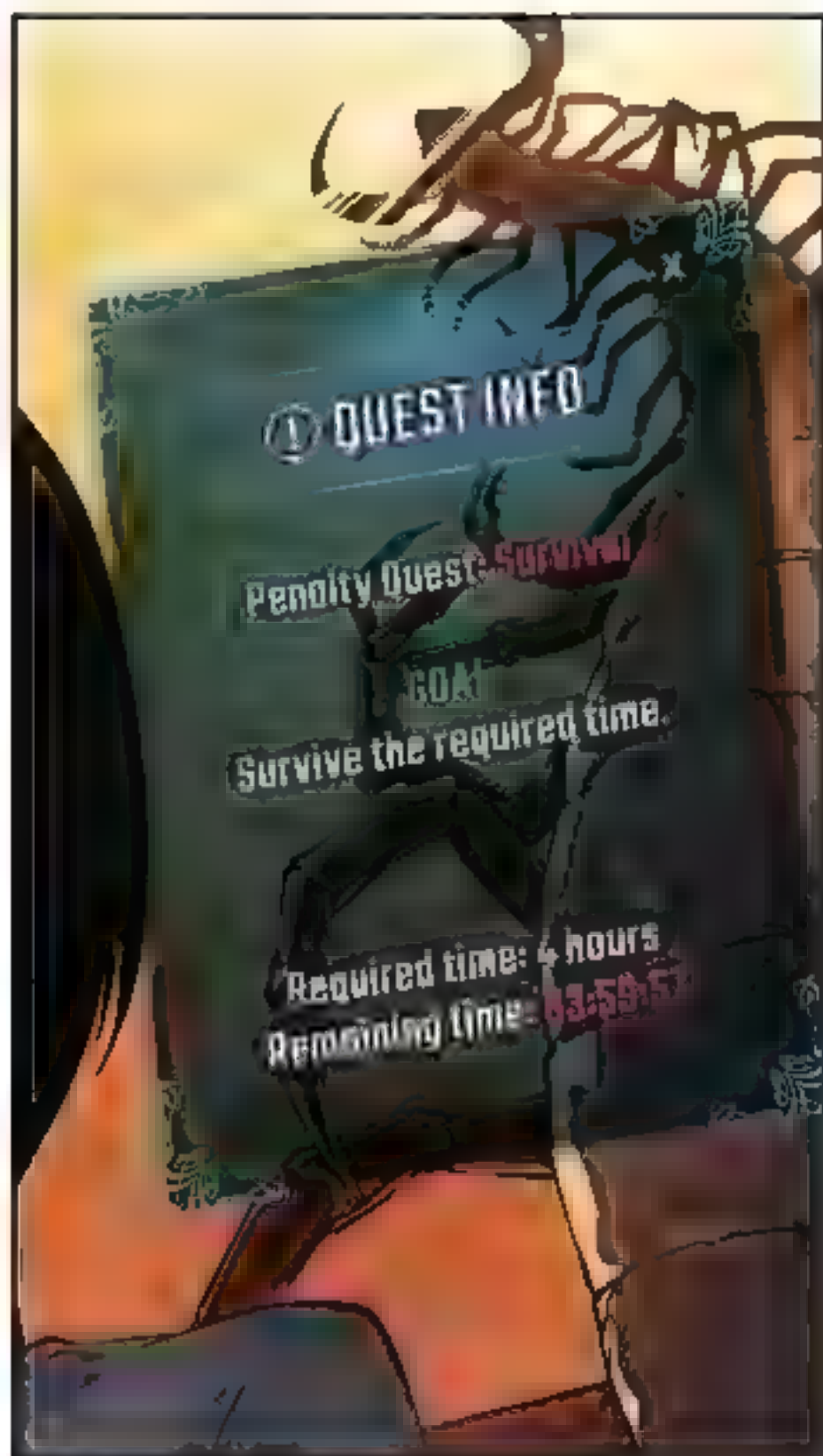


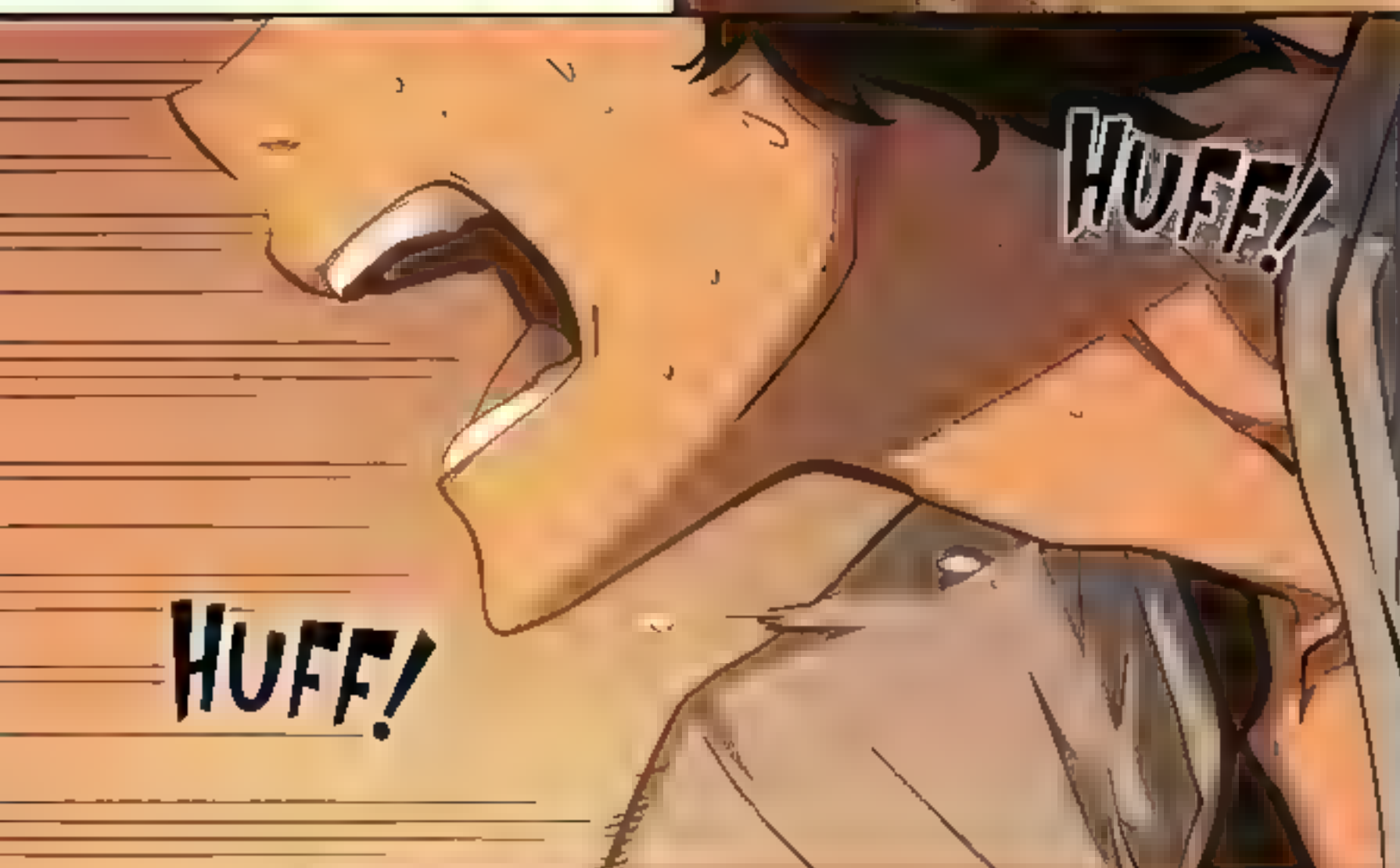




POISON-TOOTHED GIANT DESERT CENTIPEDE

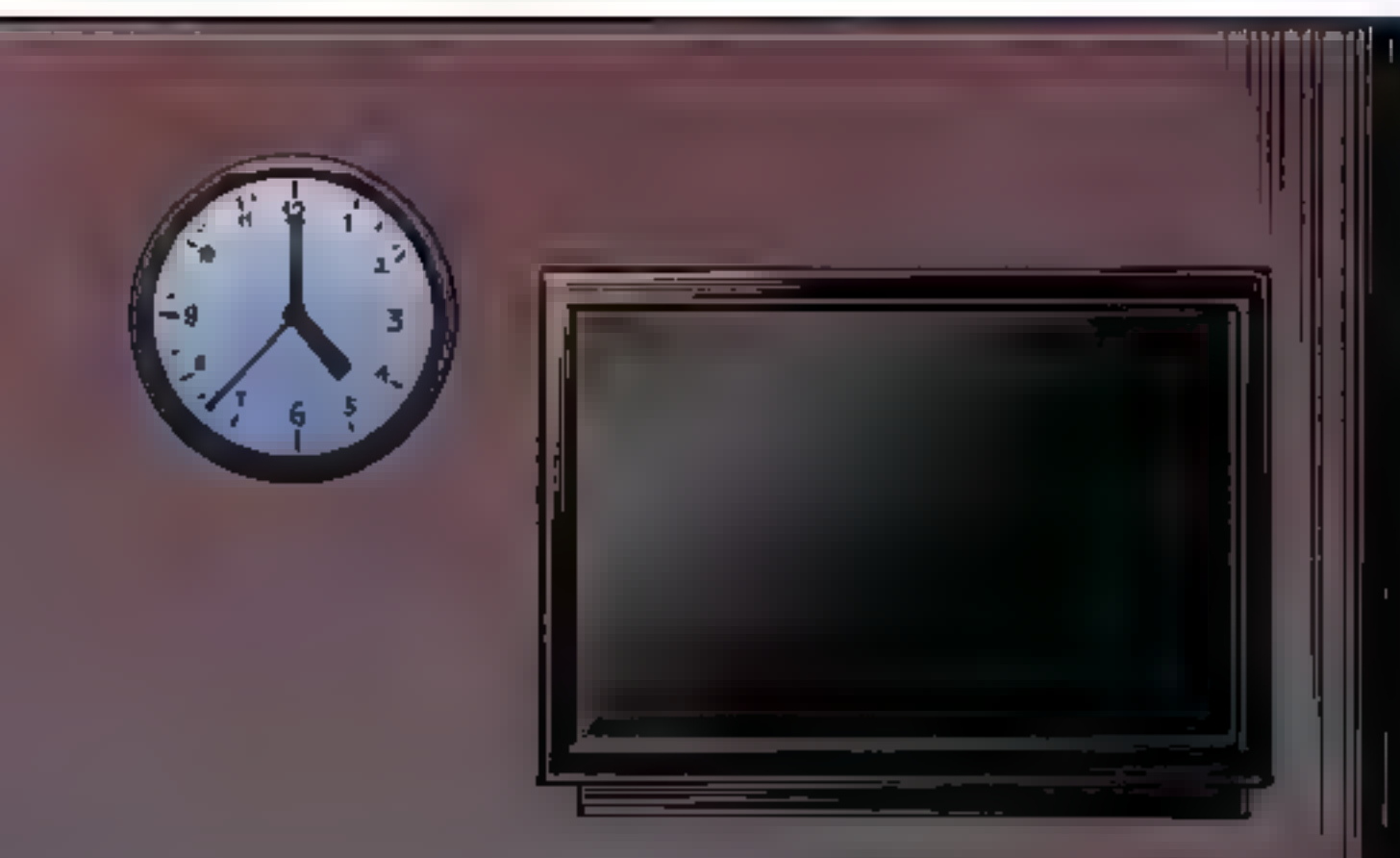
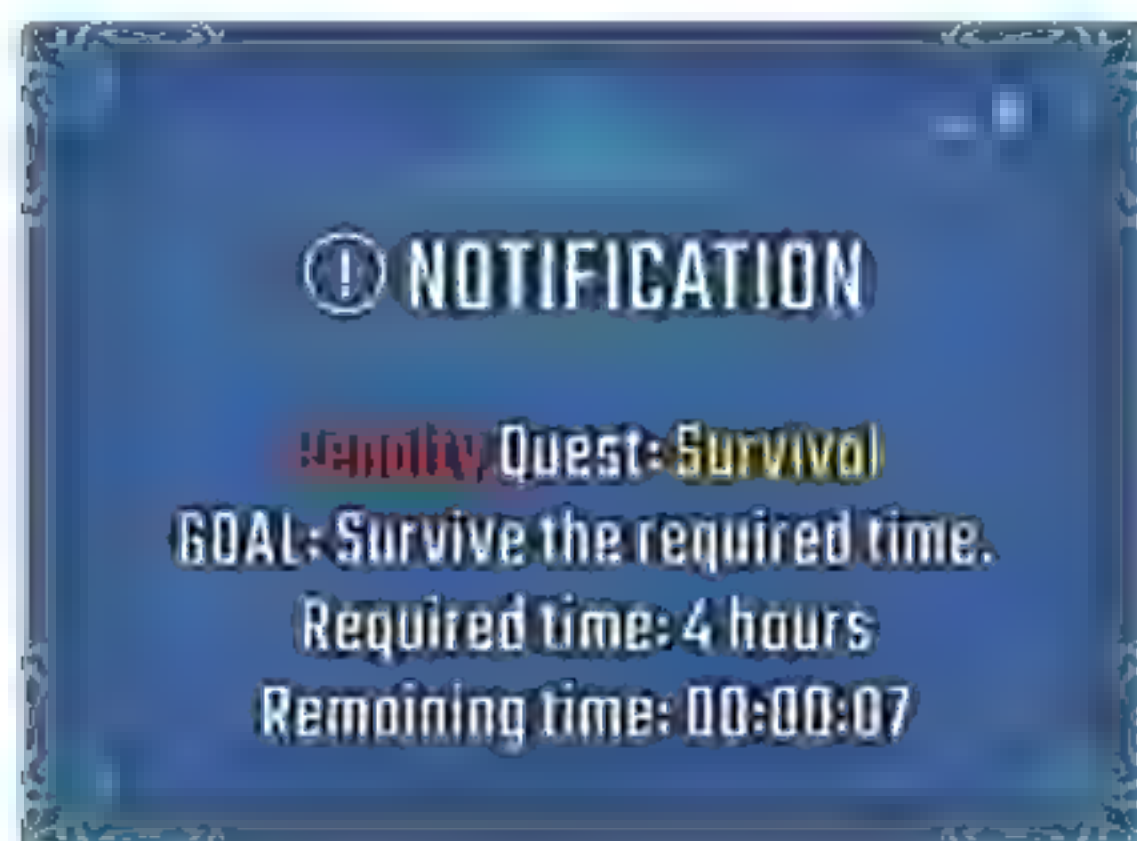


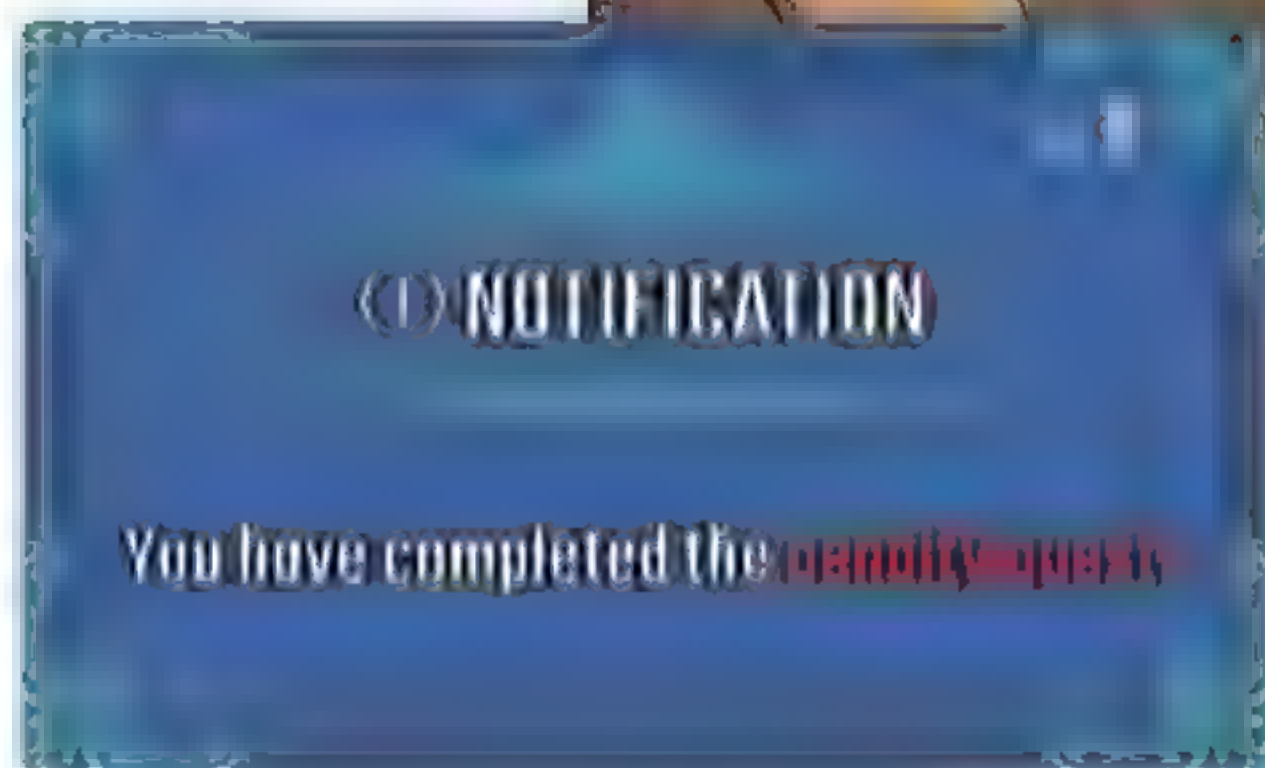
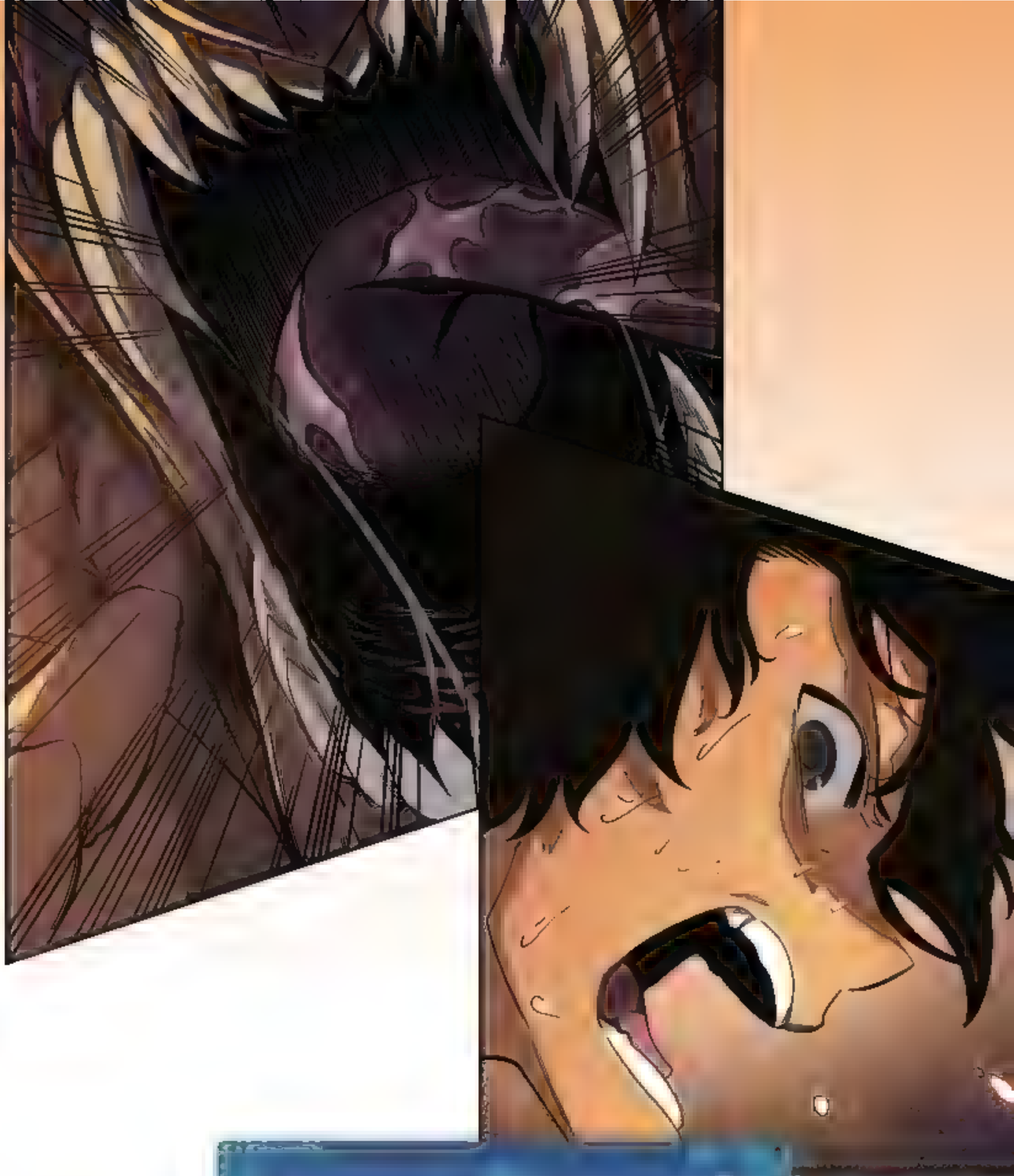


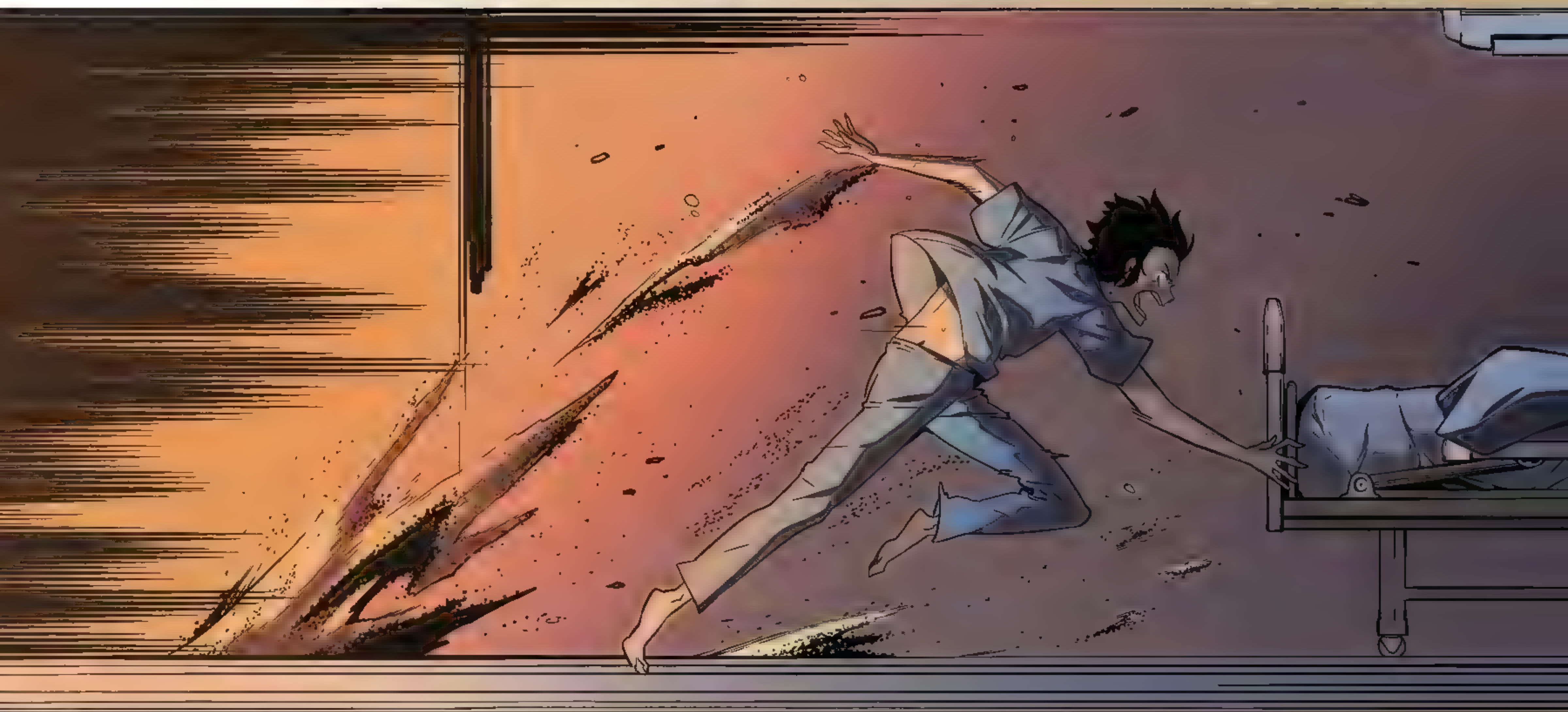


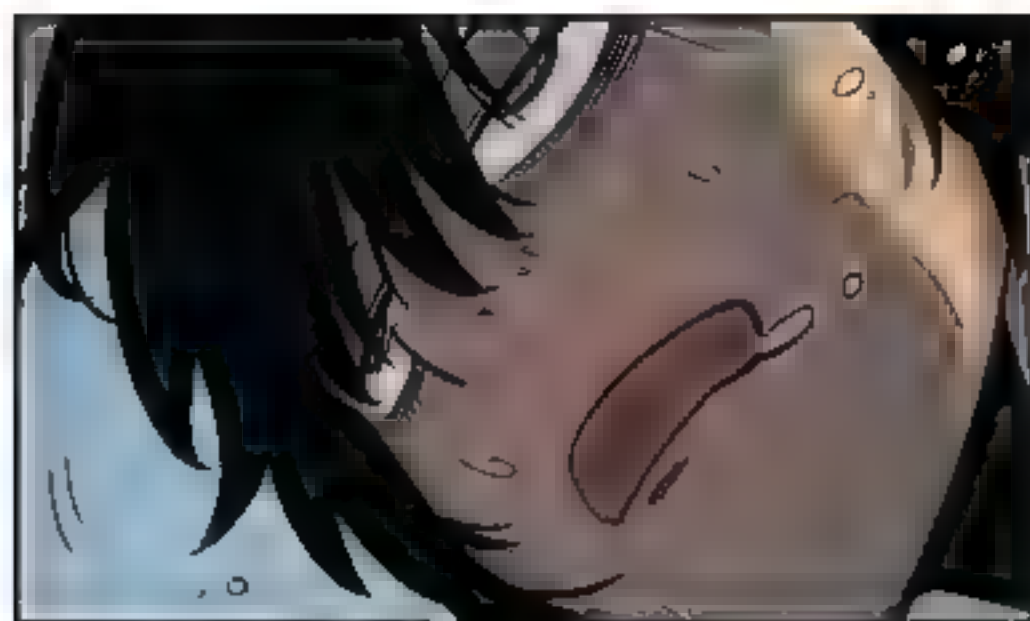
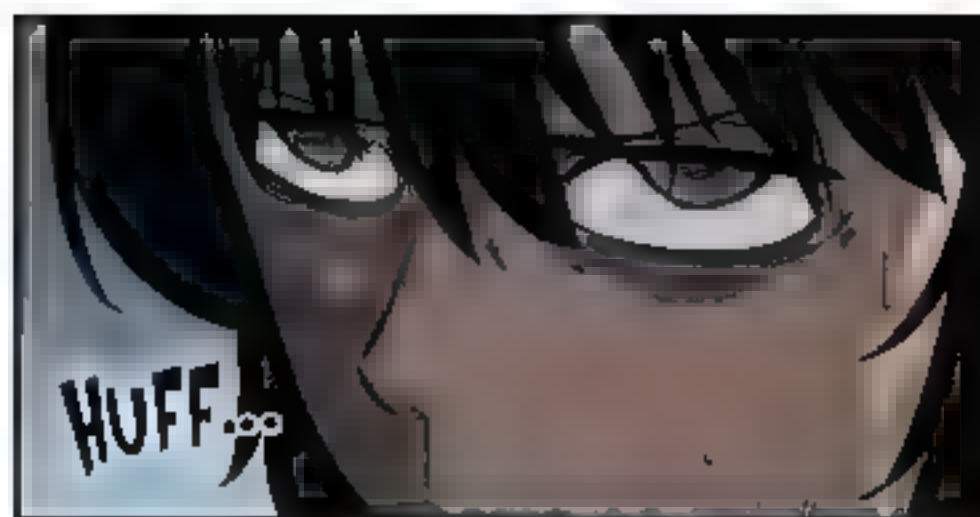


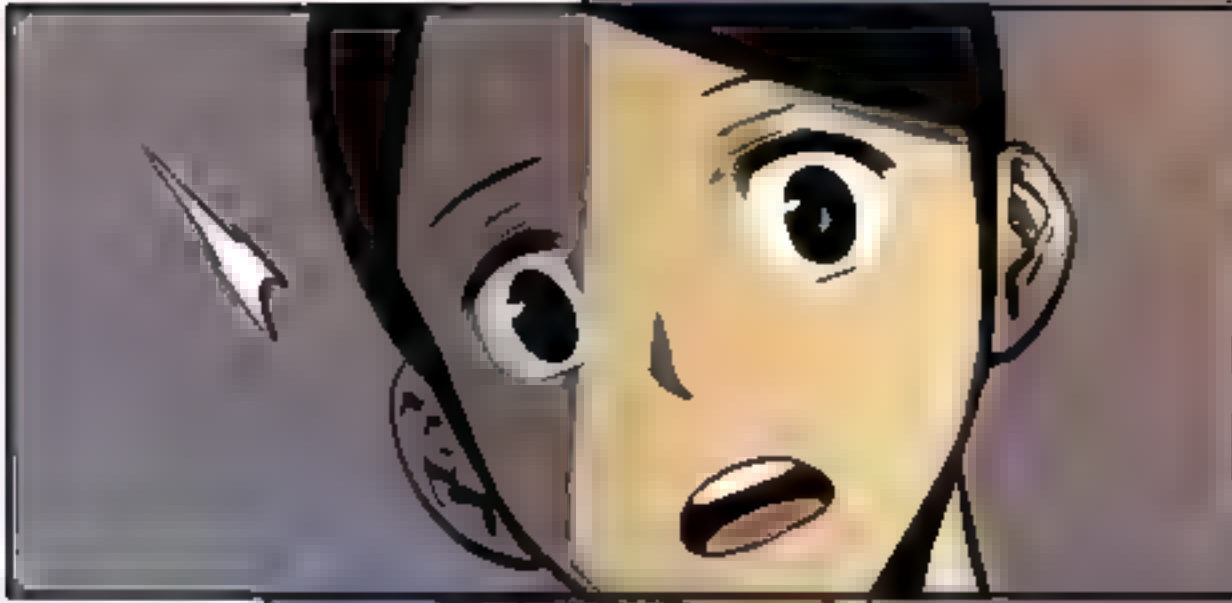
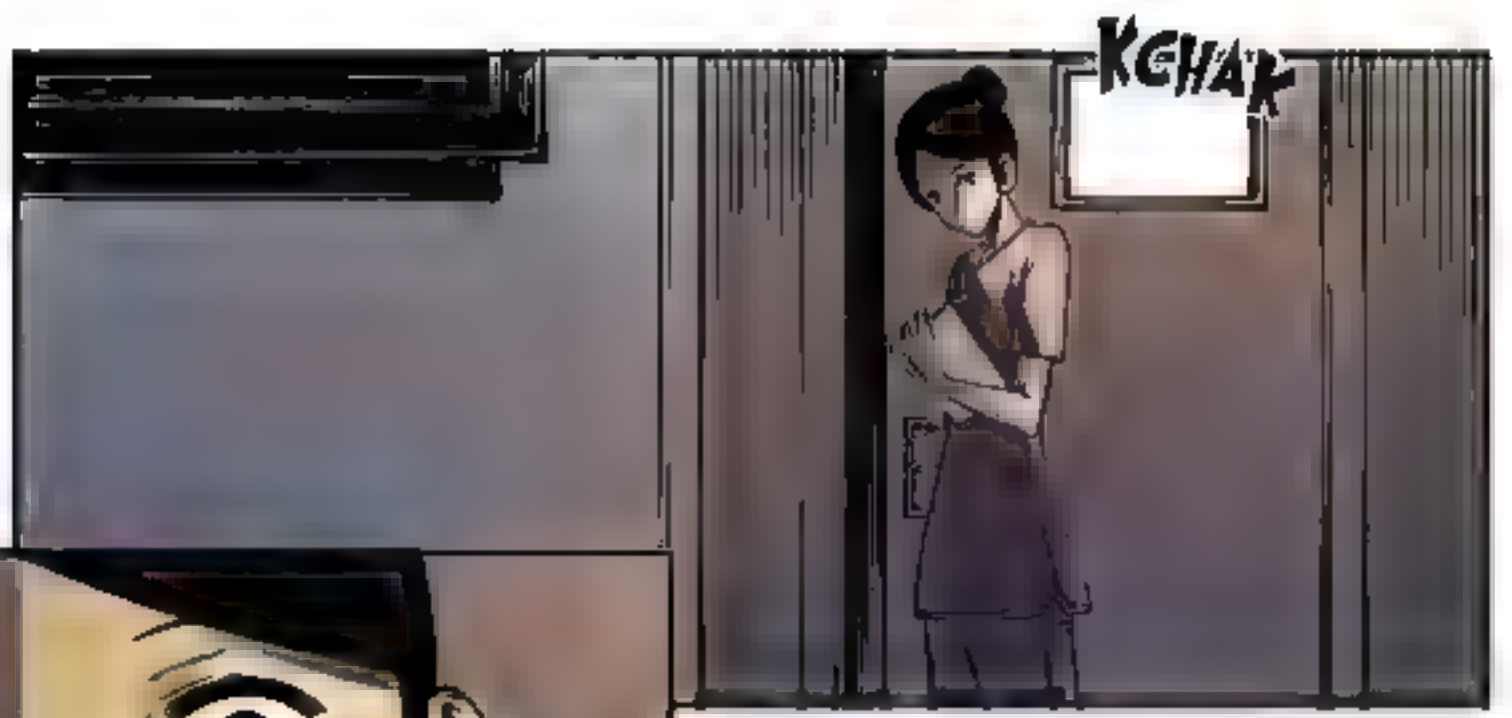






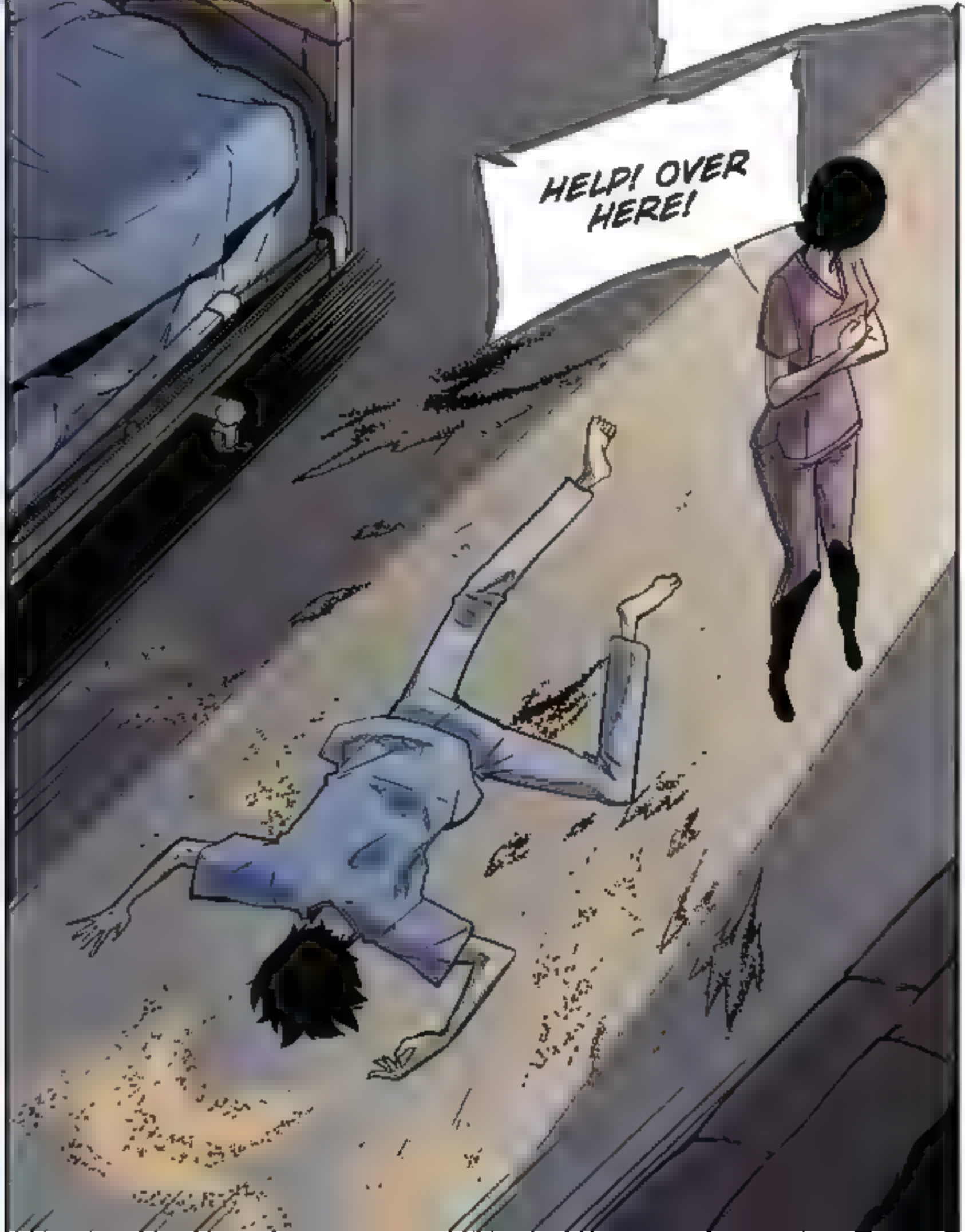


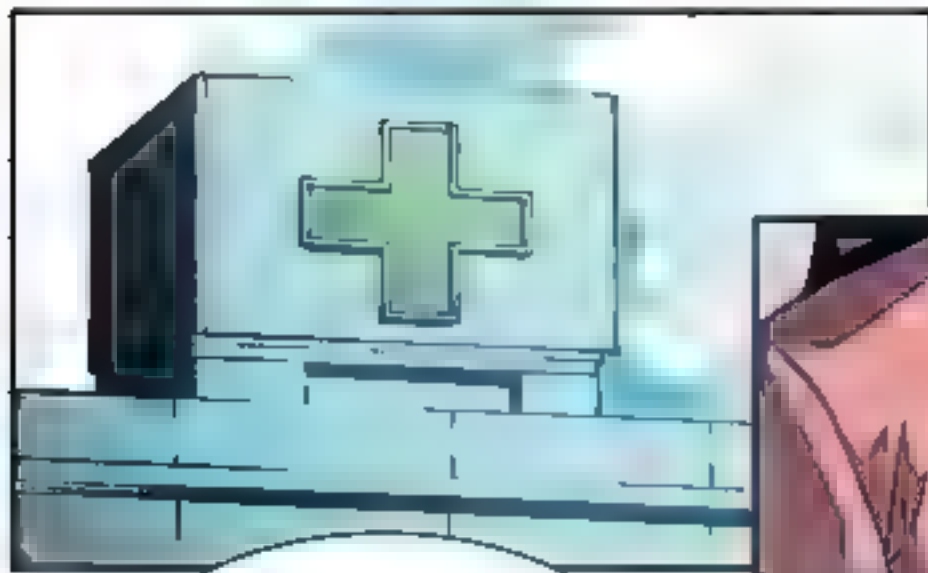




OH NO! WHAT
HAPPENED?

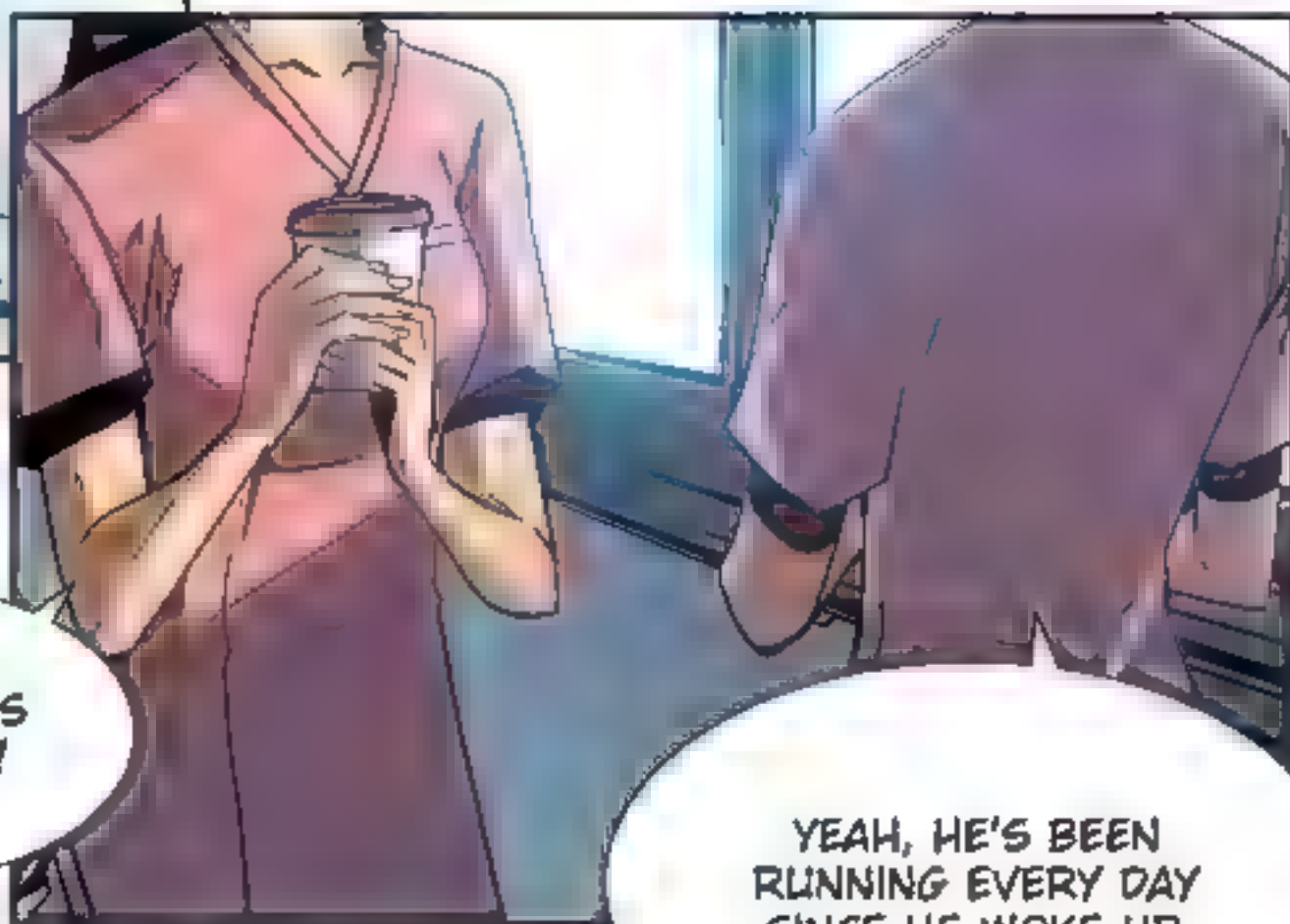
HELP! OVER
HERE!





YOU KNOW THE
PATIENT JINWOO
SUNG?

I HEAR HE'S
A HUNTER!



YEAH, HE'S BEEN
RUNNING EVERY DAY
SINCE HE WOKE UP.

WHAT DOES
THE DOCTOR
SAY?

HE SAID HUNTERS
ARE DIFFERENT FROM
US AND RECOVER FASTER,
SO LIGHT EXERCISE
IS FINE...

HE'S ON A
RUN NOW.

"LIGHT EXERCISE"
IS OKAY, HUH?

HFF!

HUFF!

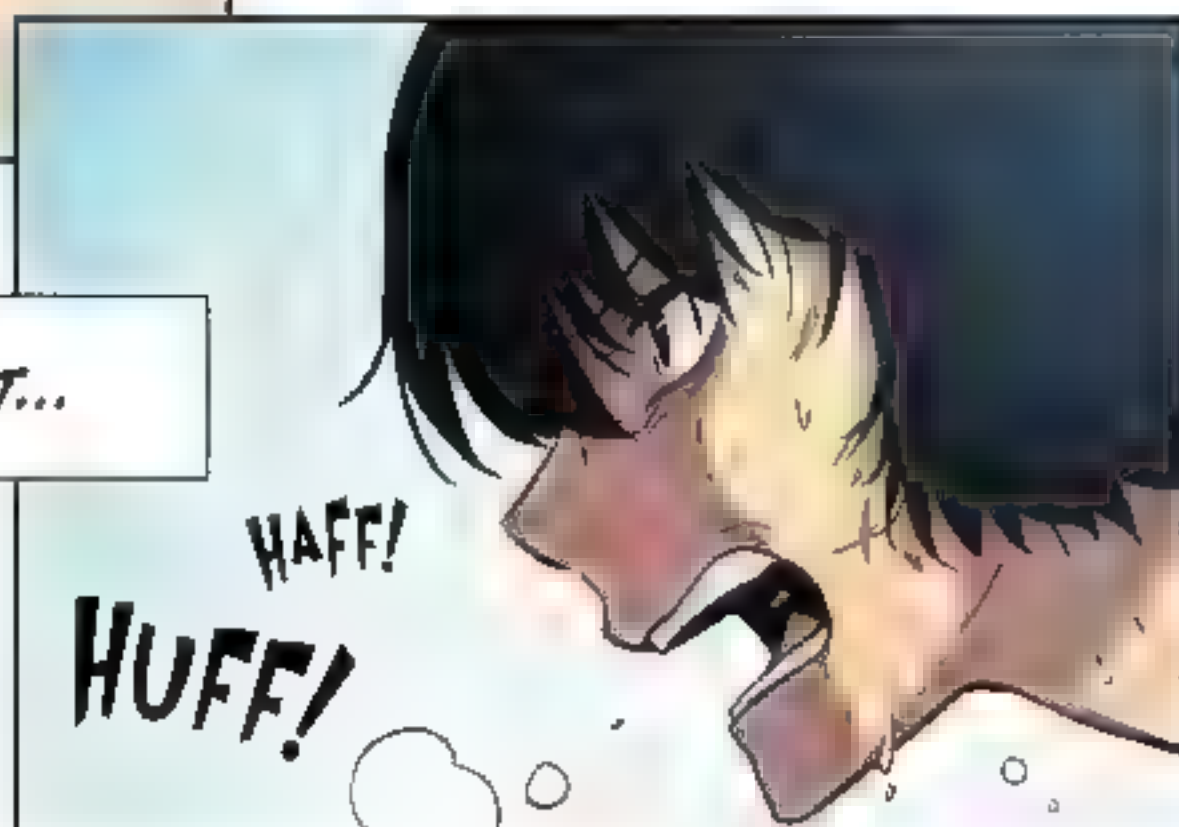




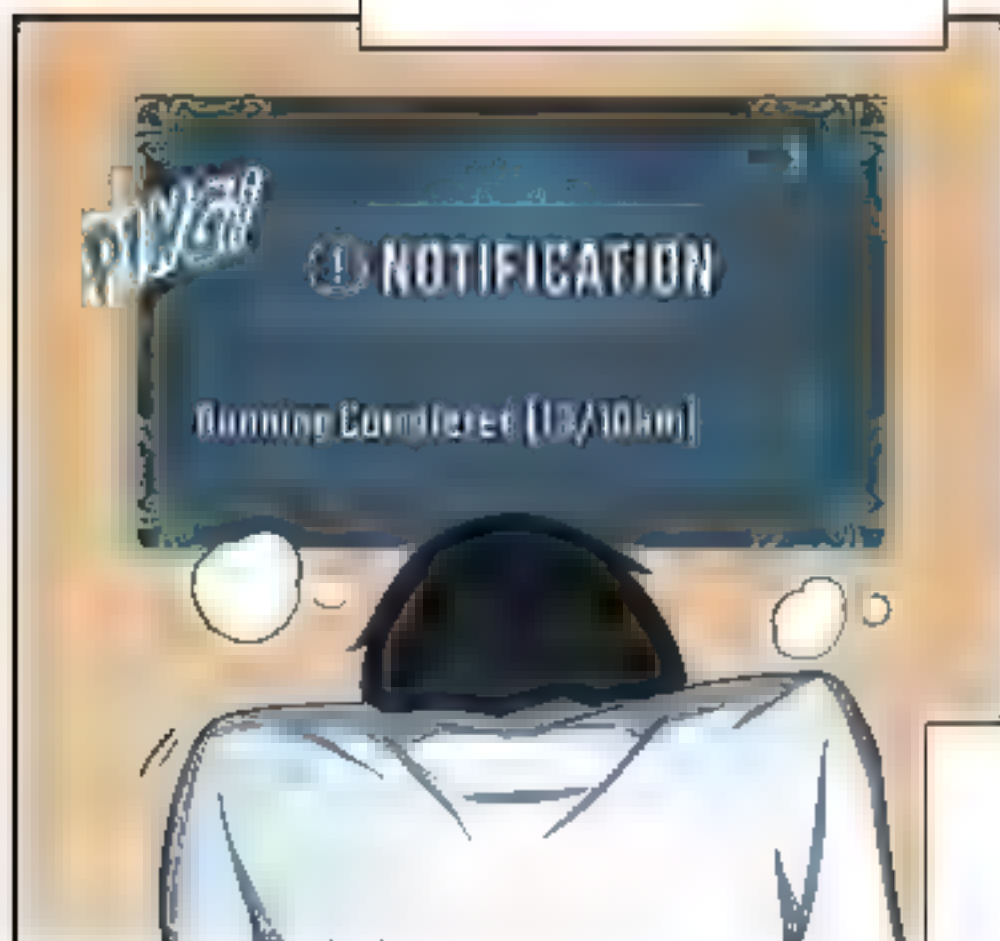
I'VE FOUND OUT A FEW THINGS SINCE.



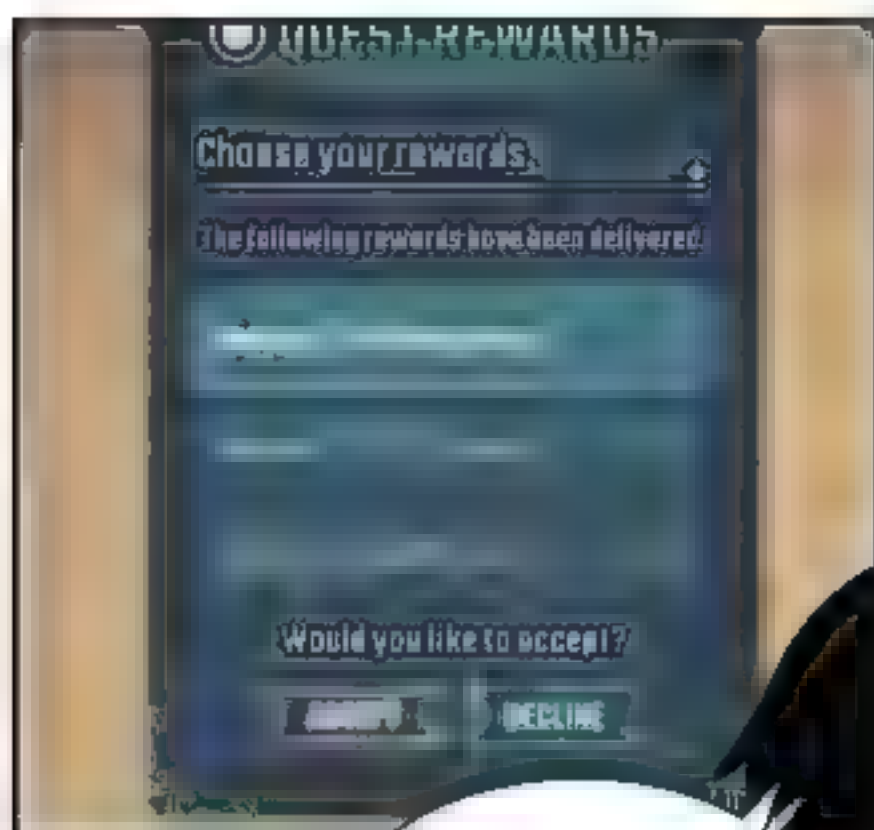
FIRST...



...THAT IS NOT A
HALLUCINATION.



NO ONE CAN
SEE IT BUT ME.

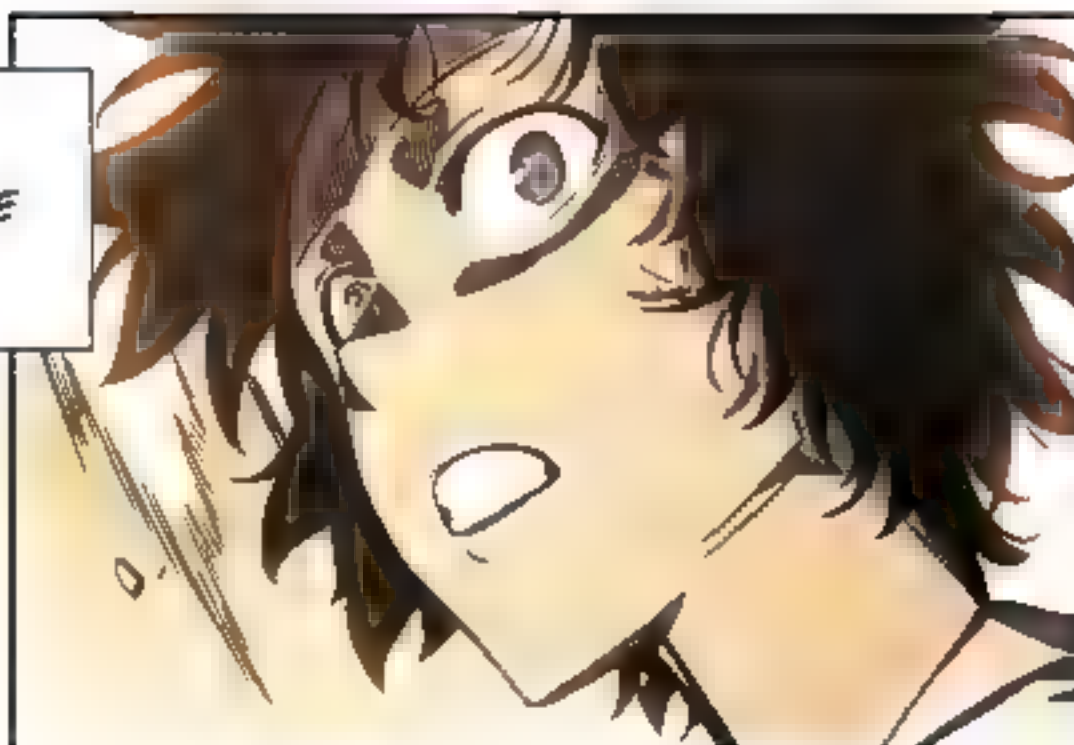


ACCEPT FULL
RECOVERY.

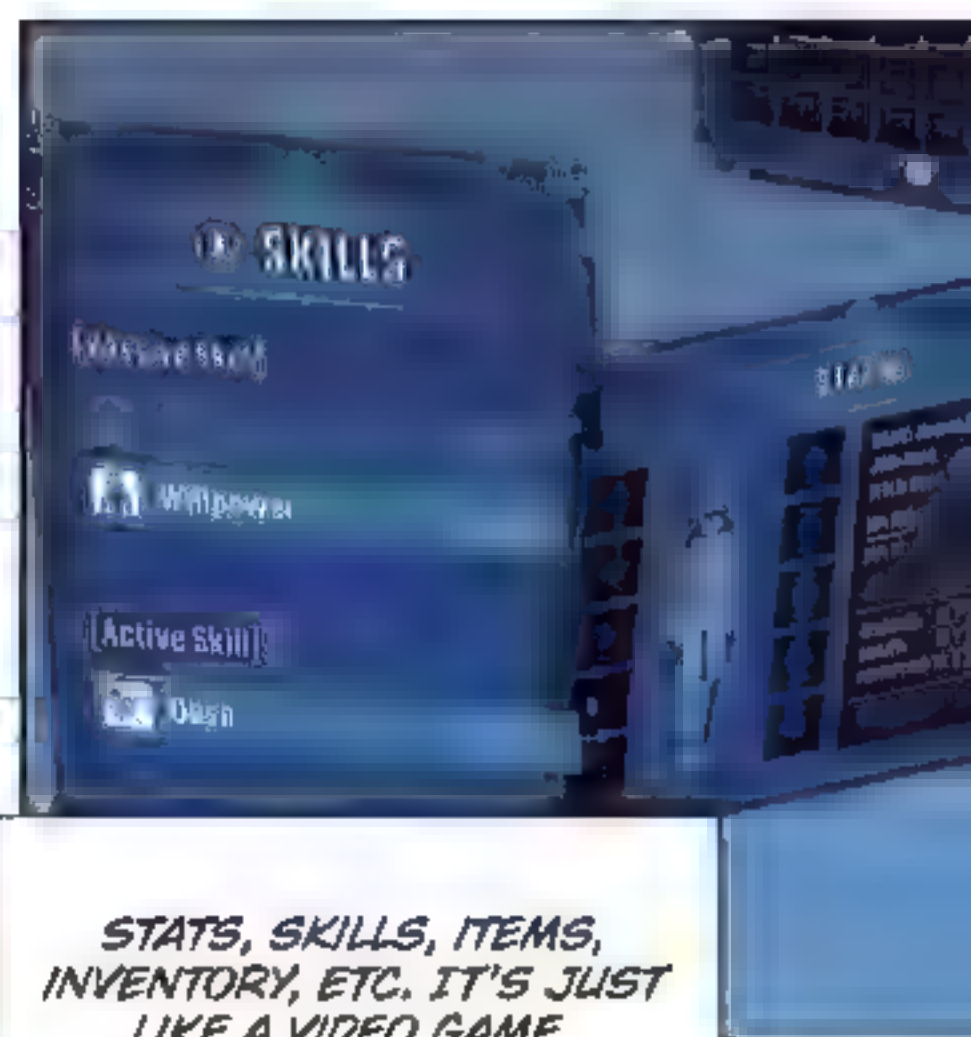
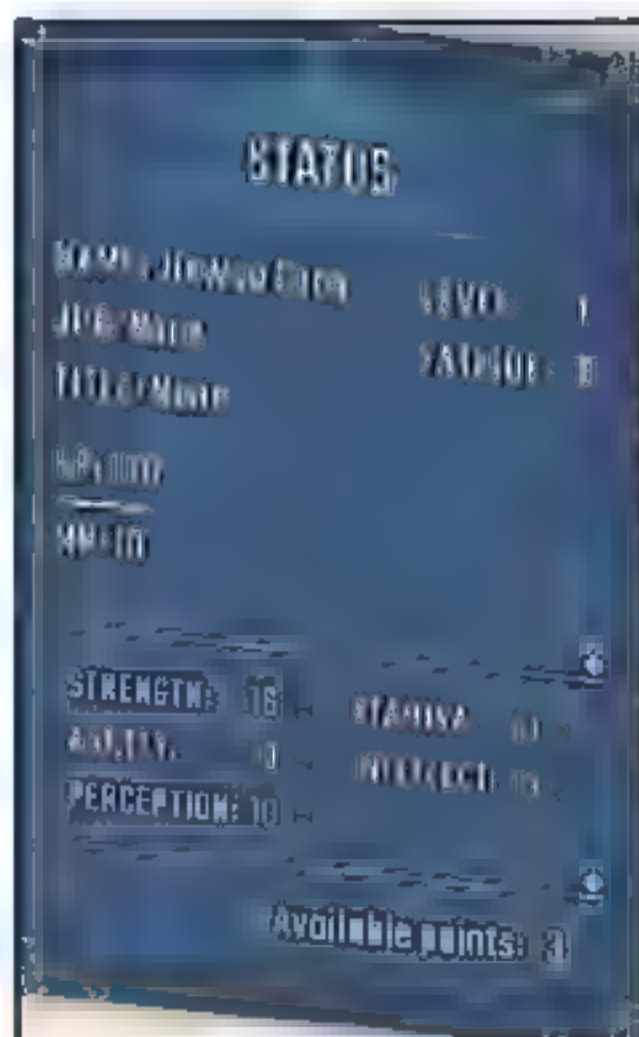
FULL RECOVERY MAGIC
GETS RID OF FATIGUE
FROM EXERCISE.



WHEN APPLIED,
FATIGUE DISAPPEARS LIKE
I WAS NEVER TIRED.



ABILITY POINTS INCREASE MY STATS. I
CAN APPLY THEM TO ANY STAT, AND I GET
STRONGER AS THE STAT GOES UP.

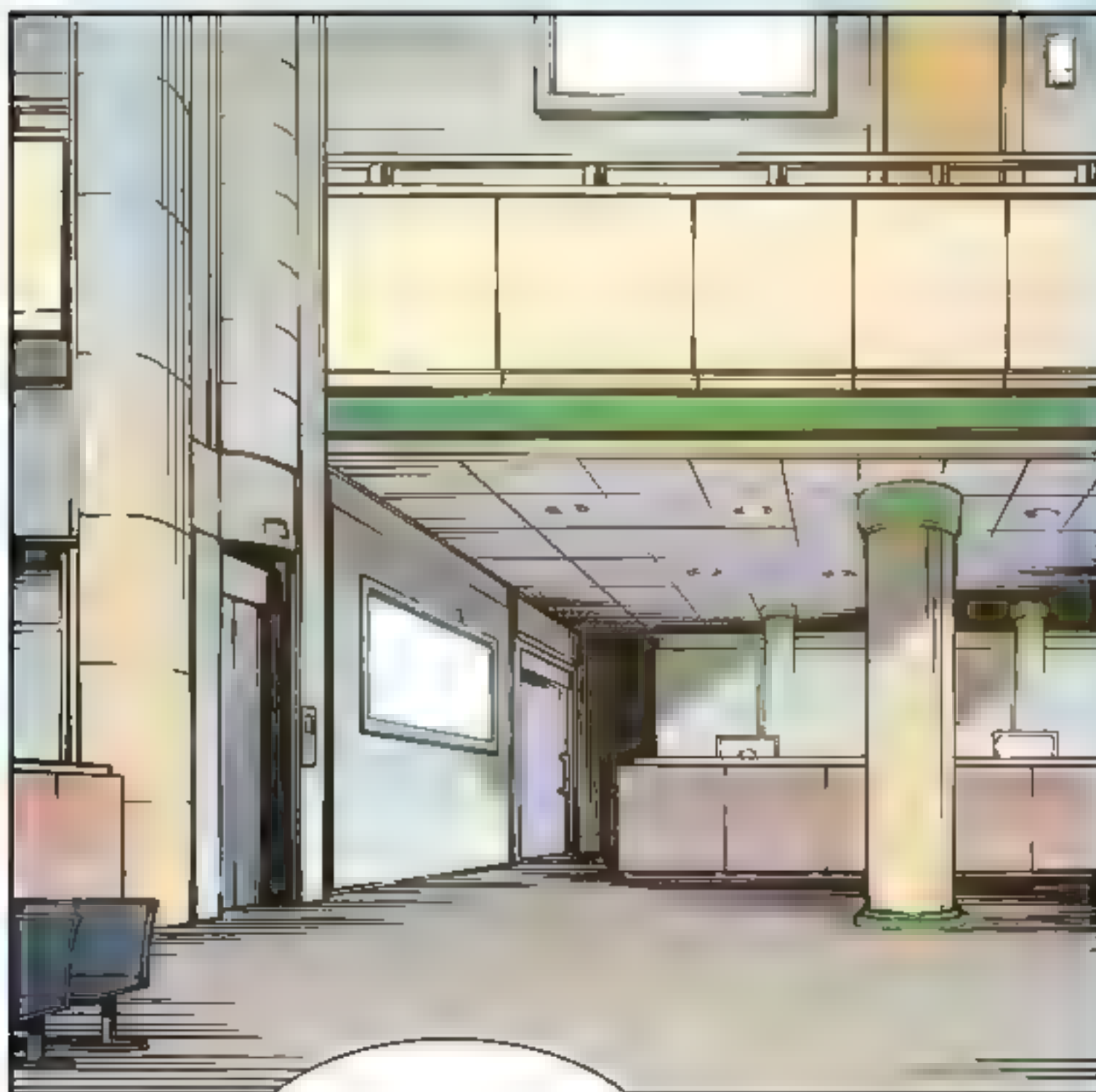


STATS, SKILLS, ITEMS,
INVENTORY, ETC. IT'S JUST
LIKE A VIDEO GAME.

I AM BEING
CONTROLLED
BY THIS WEIRD
PHENOMENON.







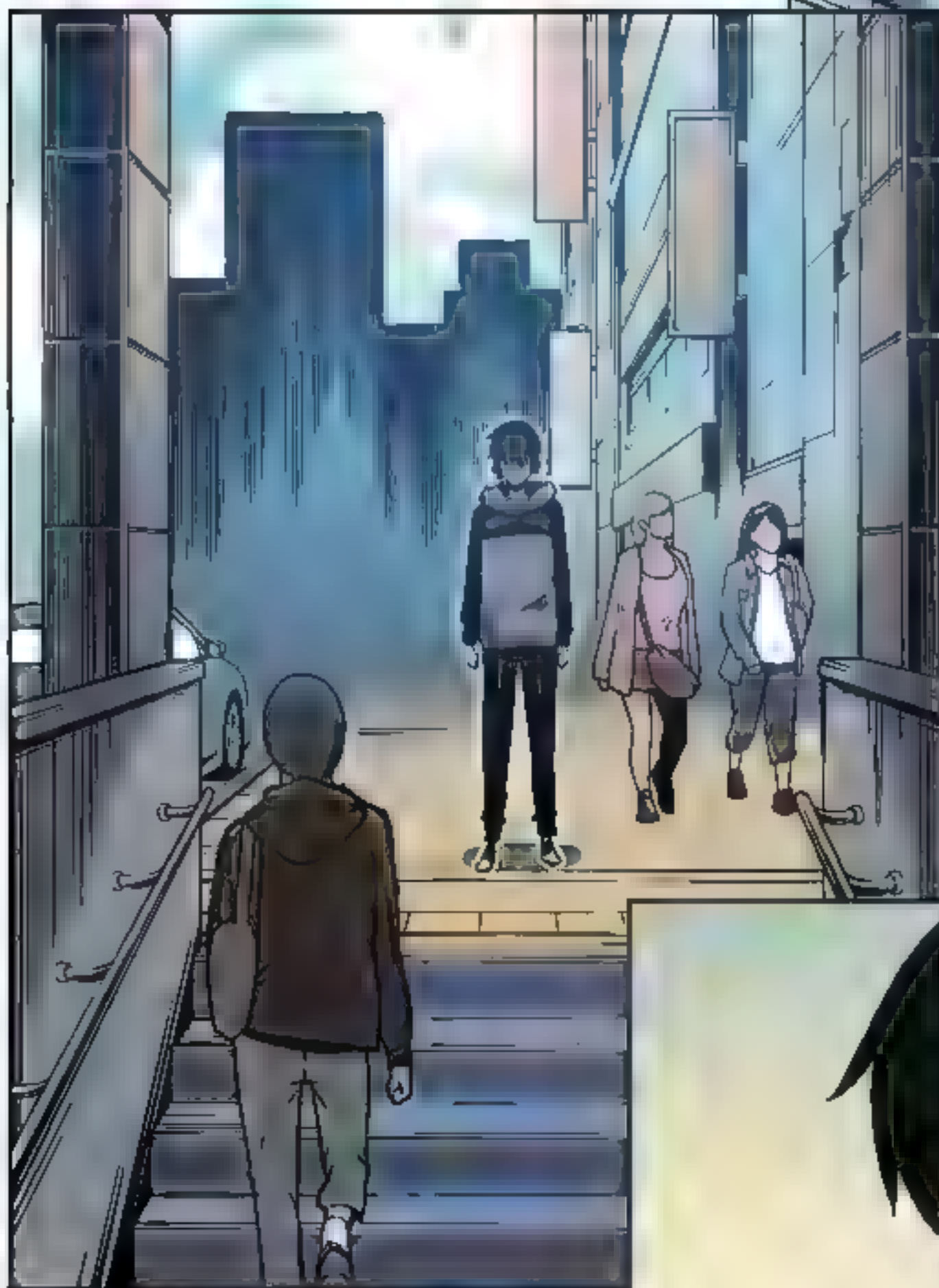
MAY I LEAVE
THE HOSPITAL FOR
THE DAY?



YES, BUT
WHERE ARE YOU
GOING?

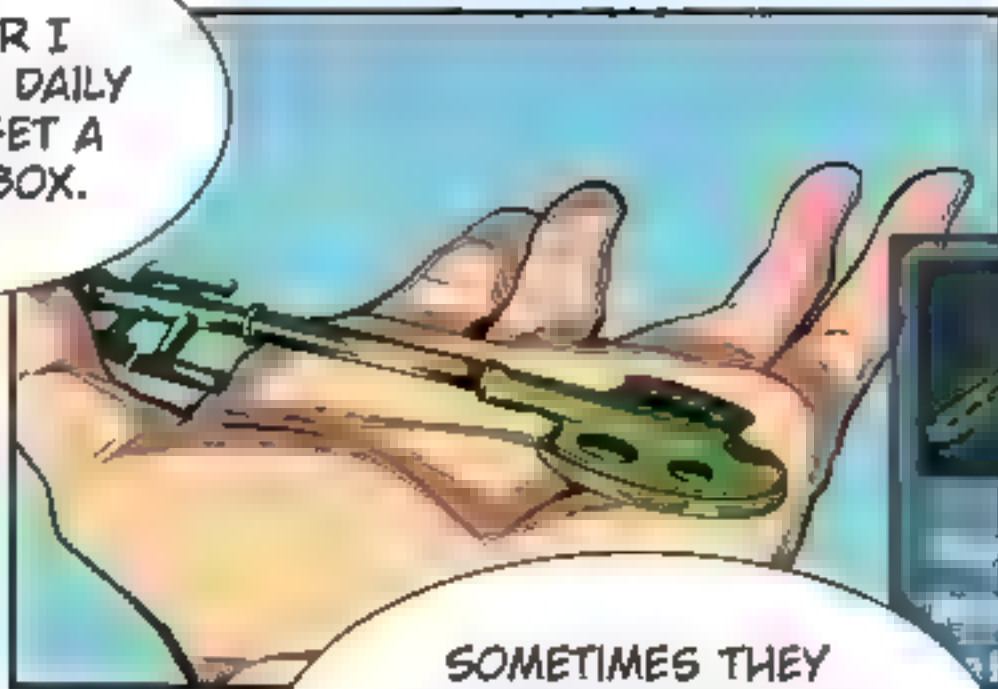


I HAVE
SOME ERRANDS
TO RUN.

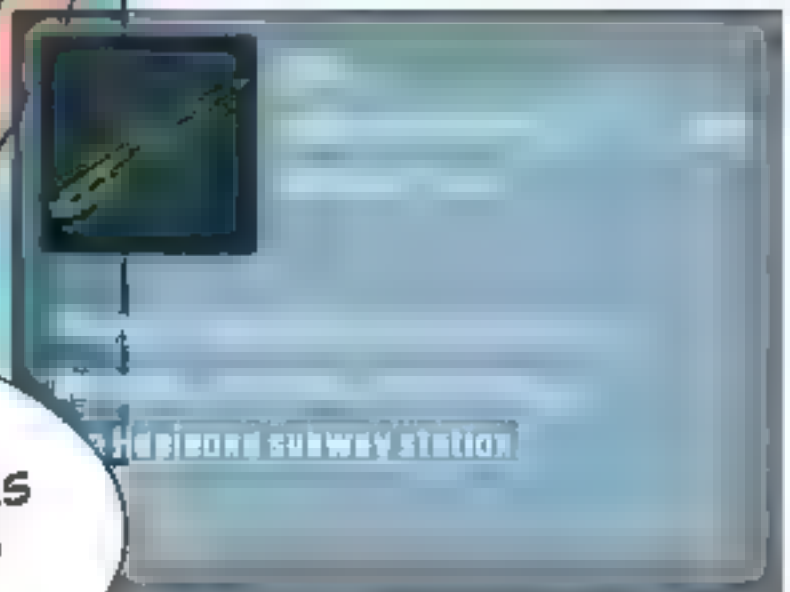


IT'S TIME TO
FIND OUT WHAT
THIS IS.

WHENEVER I
COMPLETE A DAILY
QUEST, I GET A
MYSTERY BOX.



SOMETIMES THEY
CONTAIN USELESS ITEMS
LIKE A BANDAGE OR A
PEN, BUT...THIS IS
DIFFERENT.



A KEY FOR
"AN INSTANCE
DUNGEON."

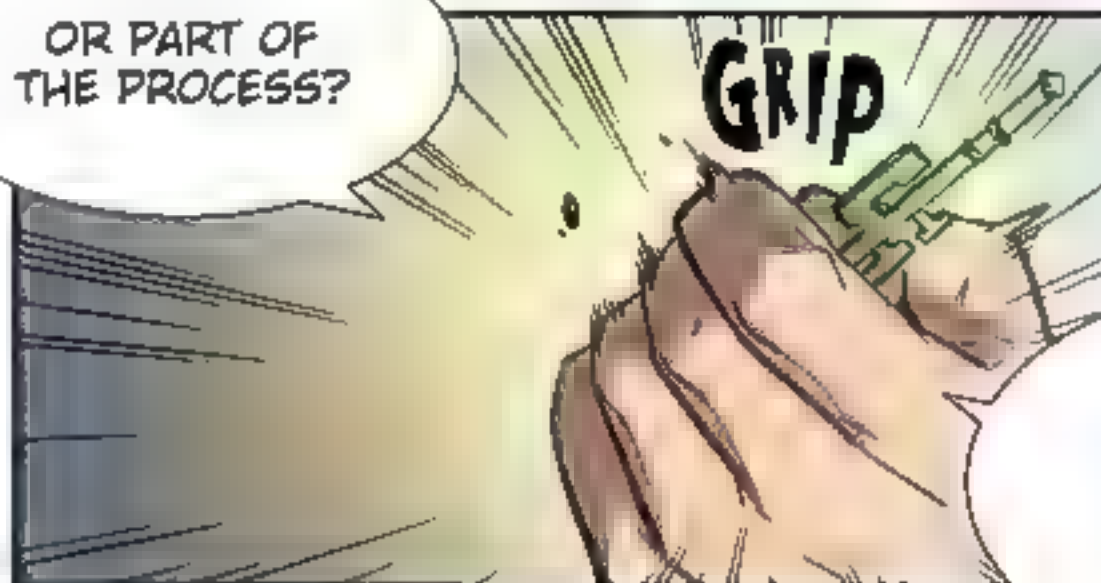


QUEST, STATS,
REWARDS...WHAT IF ALL THIS
WEIRD VIDEO GAME STUFF'S
PART OF A SECOND
AWAKENING?



A SIGN
THE REAWAKENING
WILL HAPPEN?

OR PART OF
THE PROCESS?

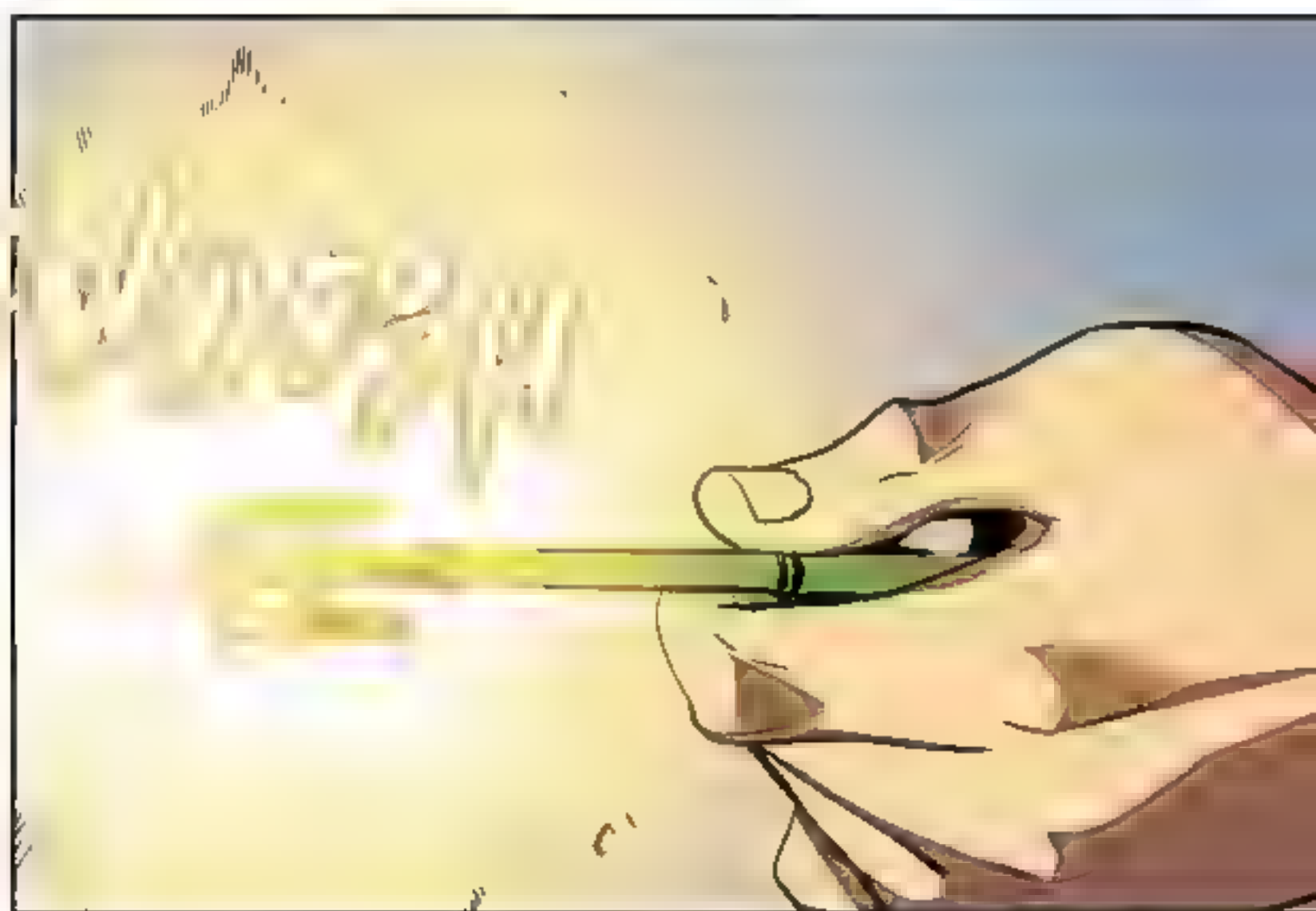


IF SO,
THIS IS WORTH
A SHOT!

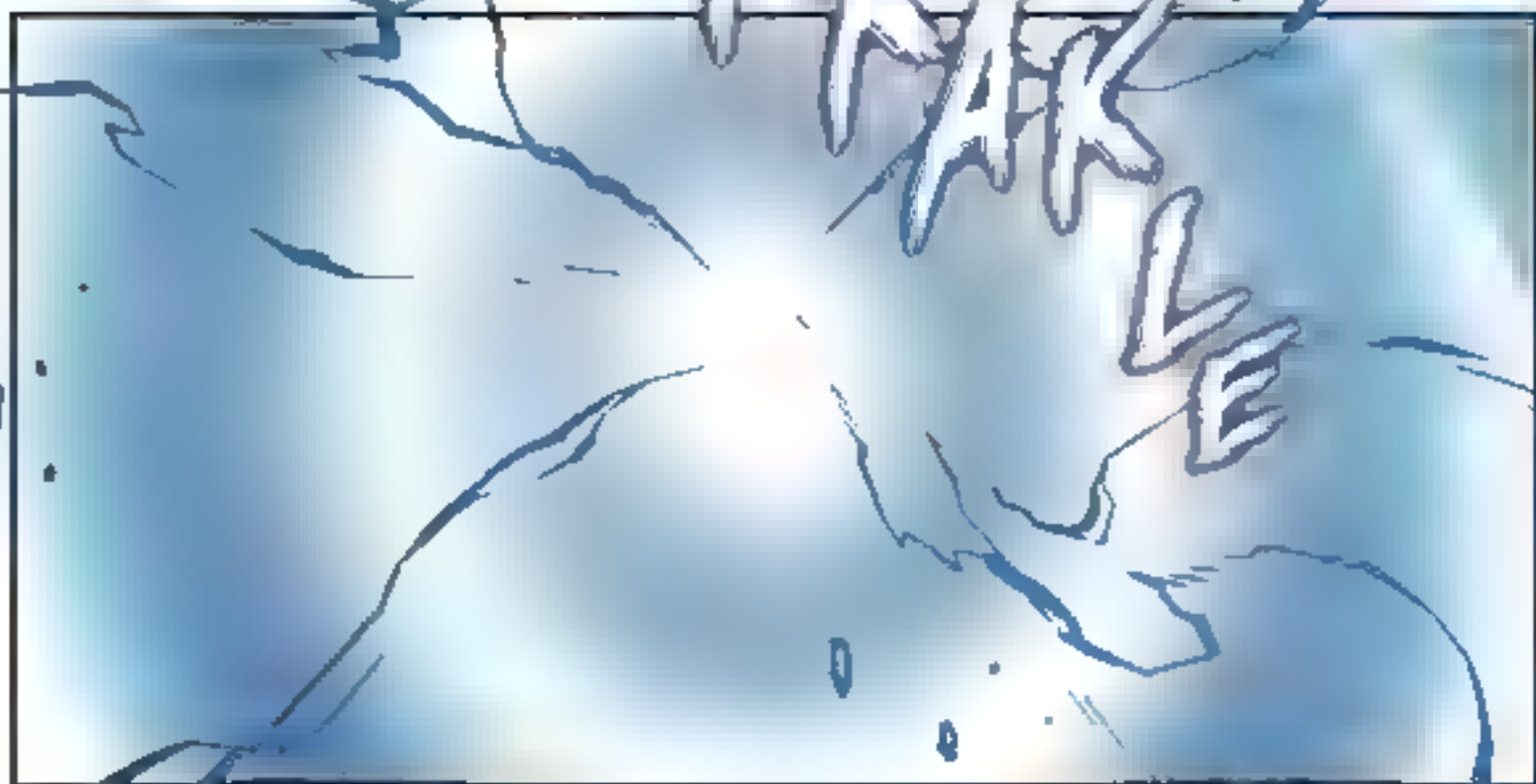


THE SECOND
AWAKENING OF THE
WEAKEST HUNTER OF
ALL MANKIND...

IF ANYONE
HEARD THAT, THEY'D
JUST LAUGH AT ME,
RIGHT?



KRAKLE

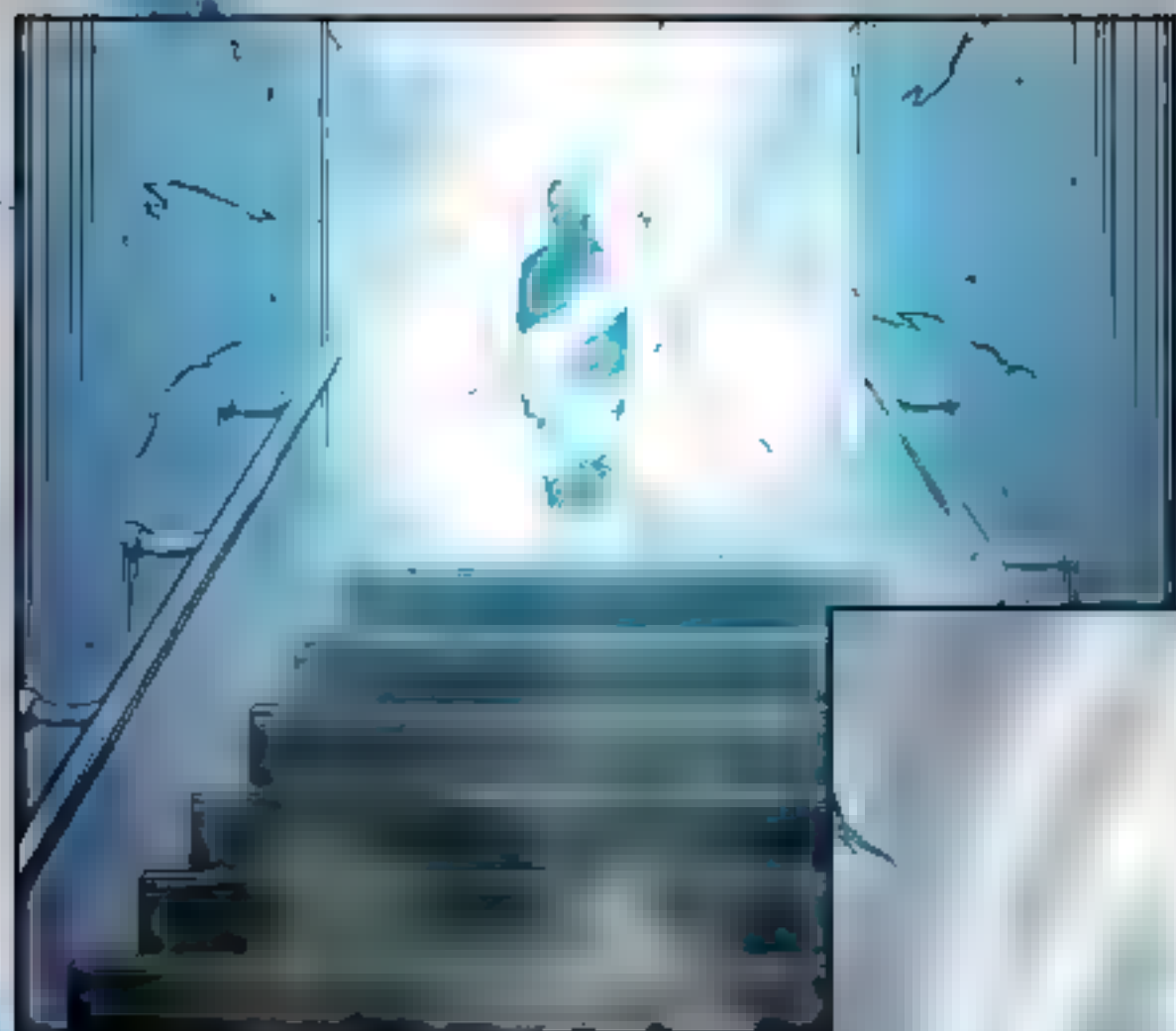


WAEONG STATION



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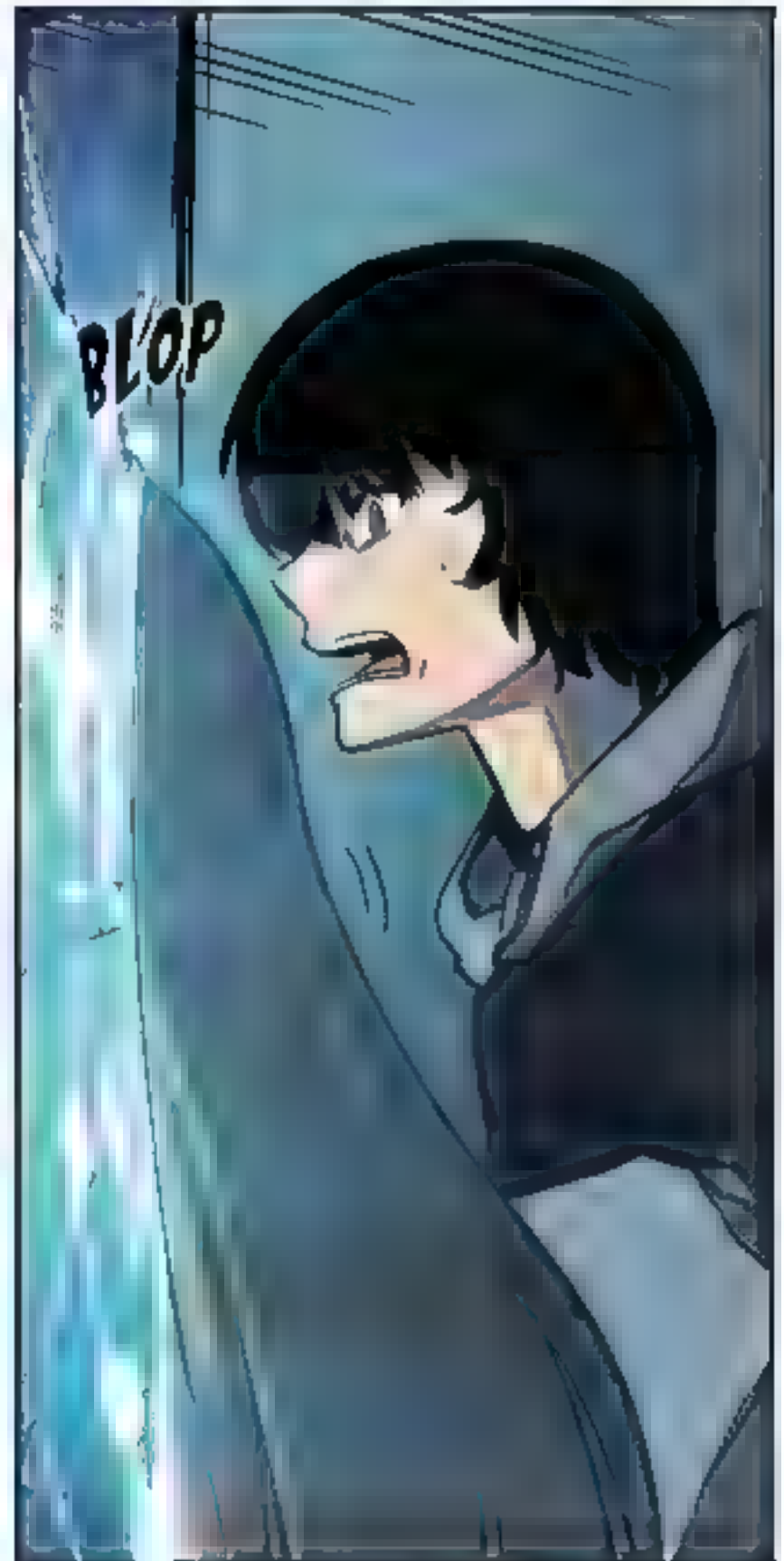


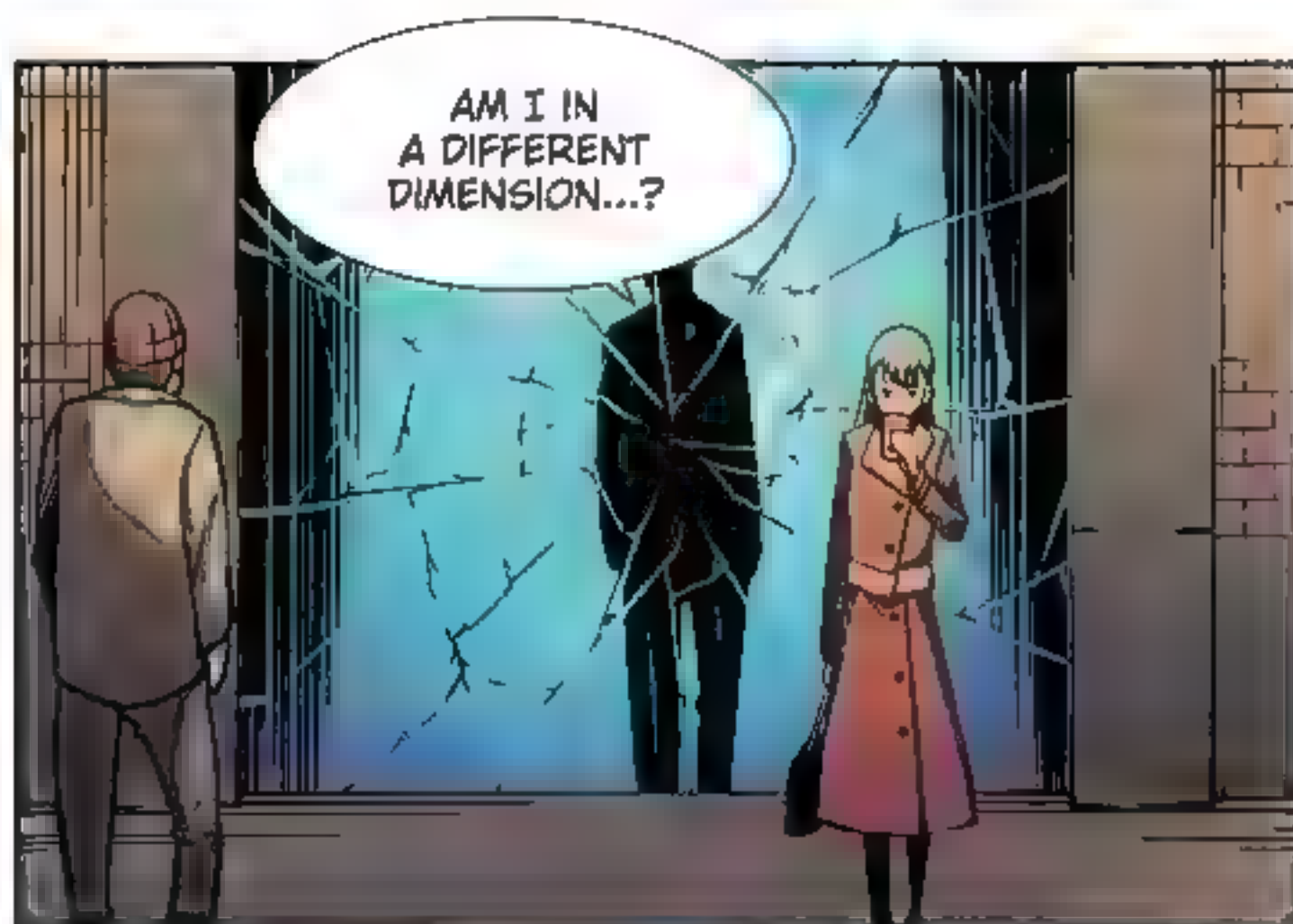
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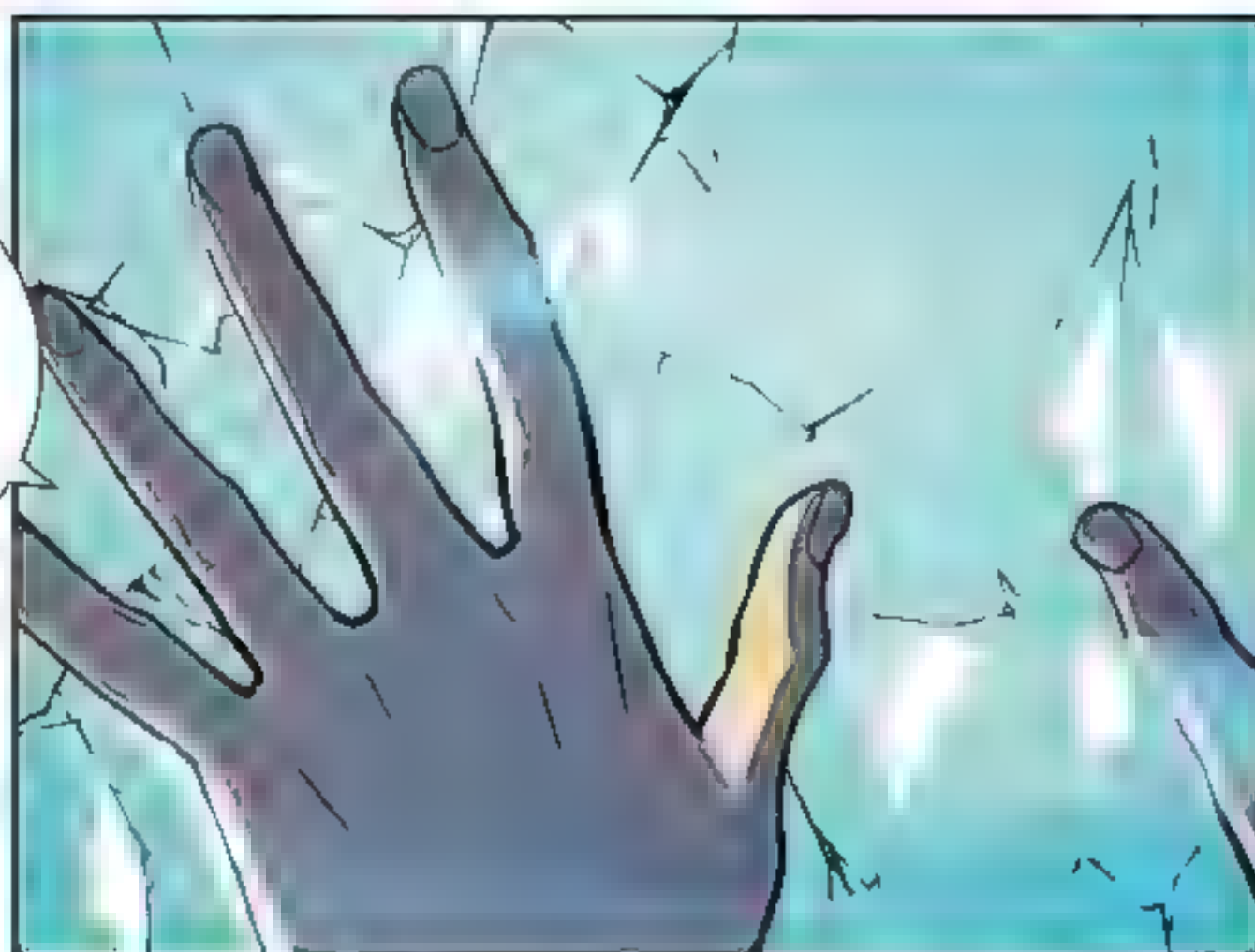
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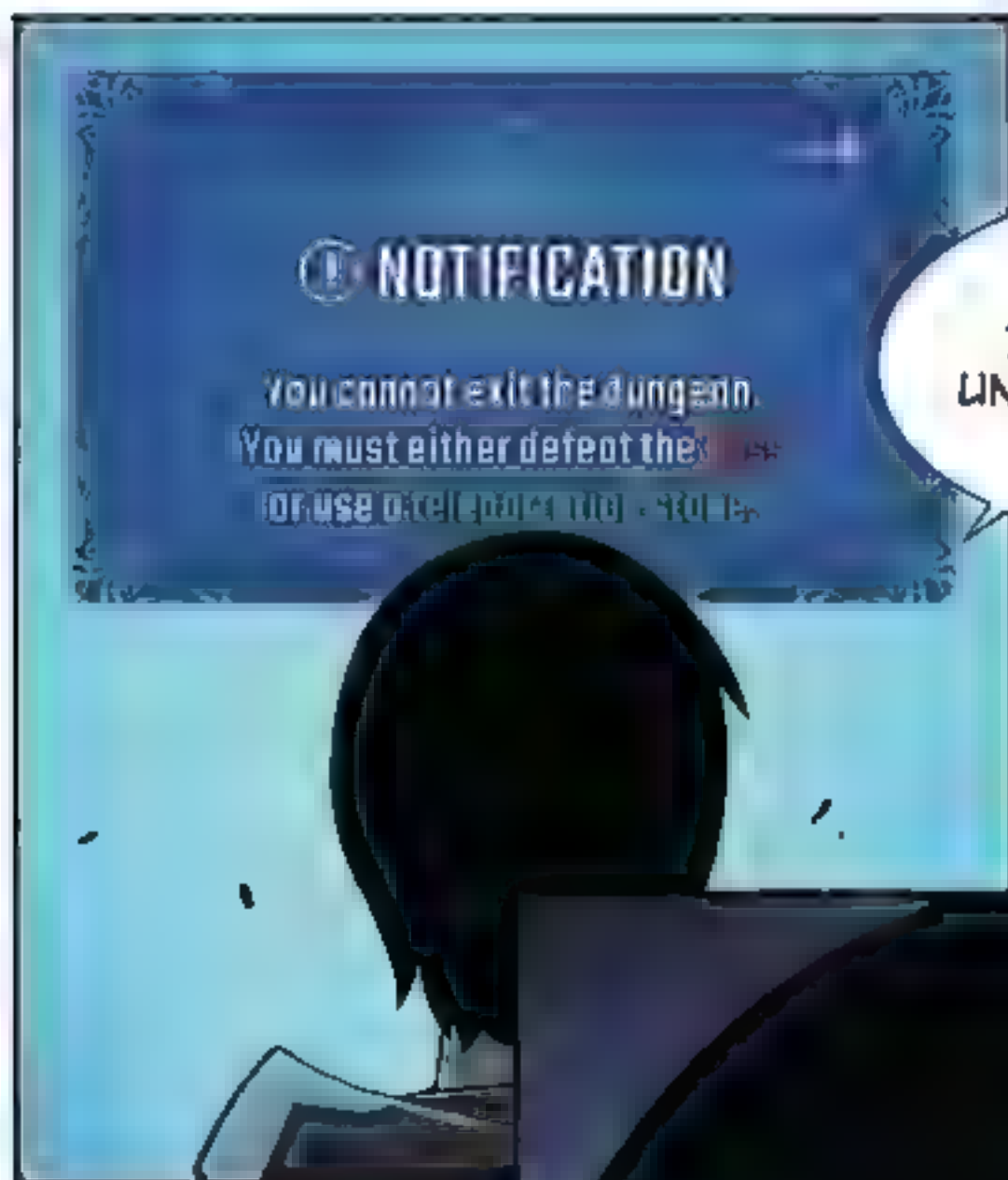
THIS IS NOT A
NORMAL DUNGEON.
I'VE NEVER SEEN ONE,
BUT I'M GUESSING
IT'S SIMILAR TO A
RED GATE.



NOW WHAT?
MY PLAN WAS TO
RUN AWAY IF IT CAME
TO IT...

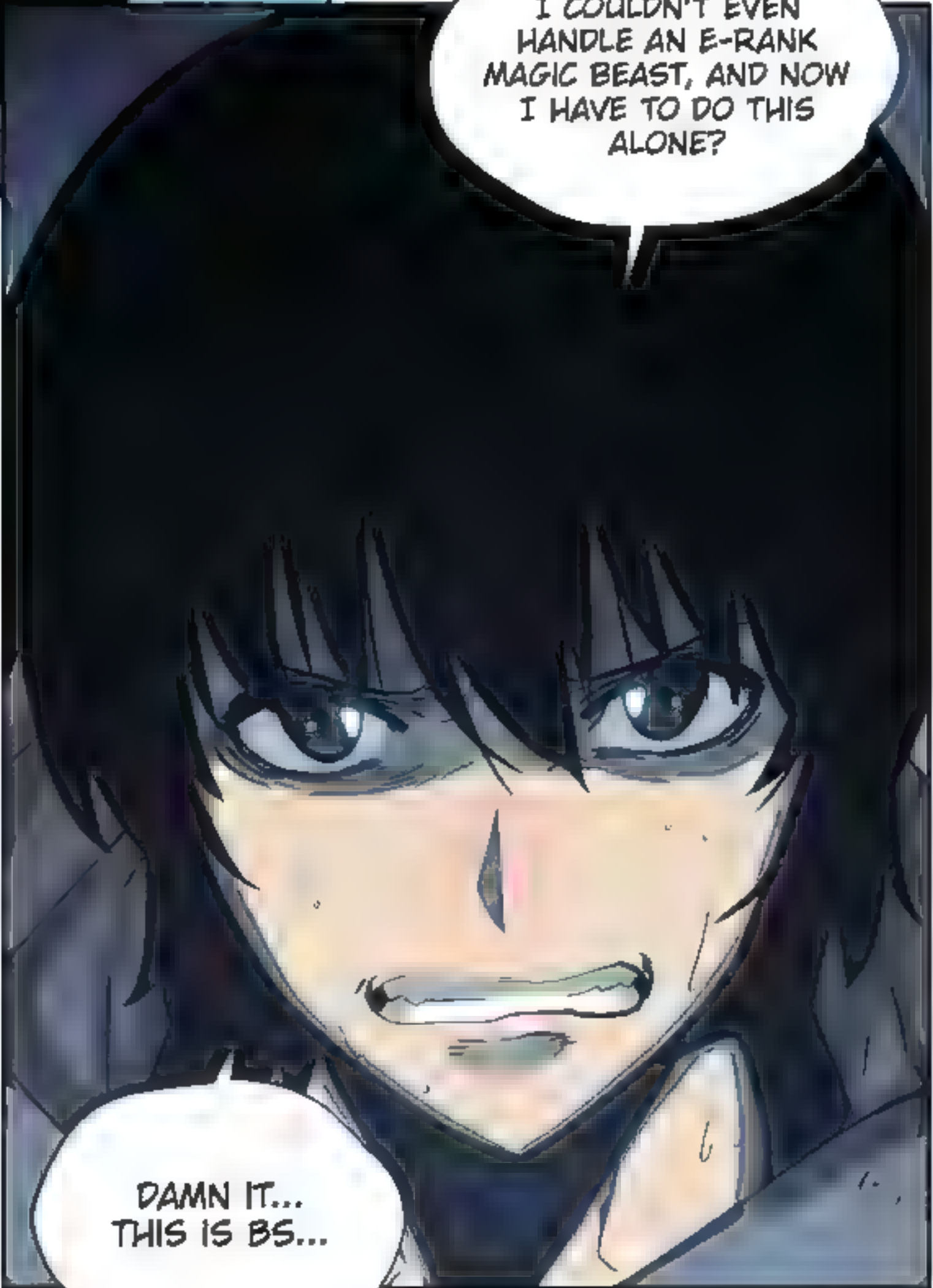


...BUT THE
ENTRANCE IS
BLOCKED!



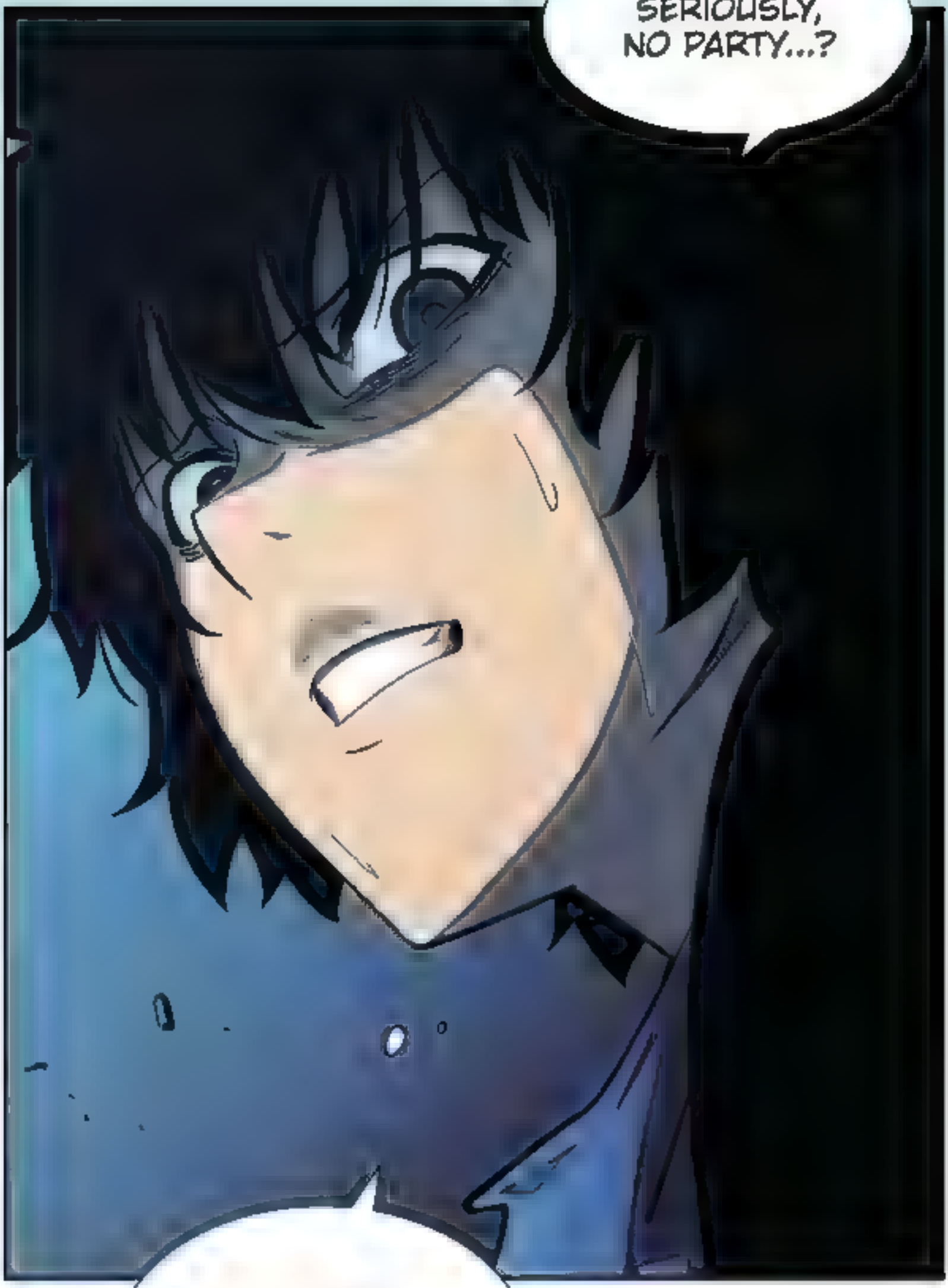
I CAN'T LEAVE
UNTIL I CLEAR IT...

I COULDN'T EVEN
HANDLE AN E-RANK
MAGIC BEAST, AND NOW
I HAVE TO DO THIS
ALONE?



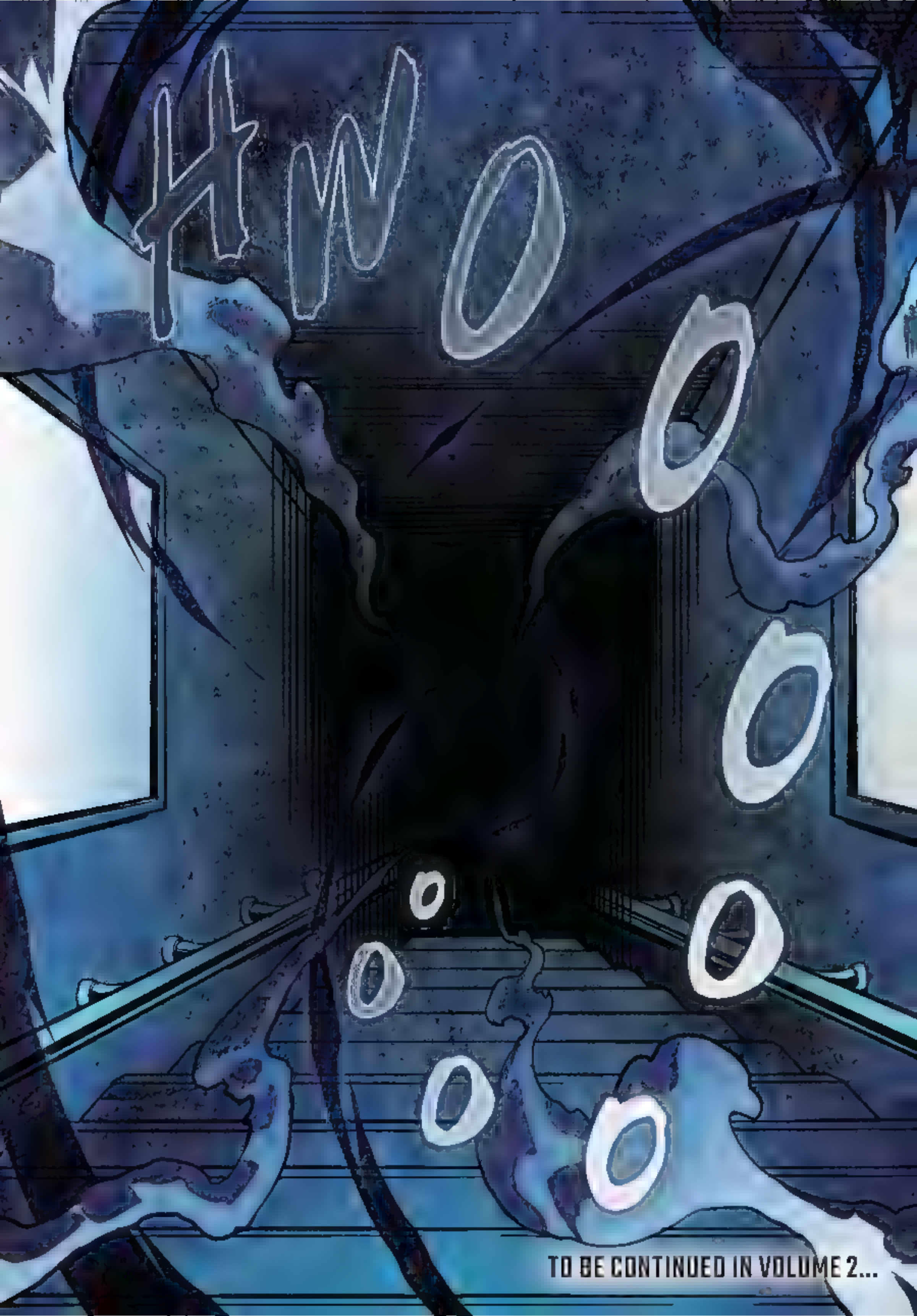
DAMN IT...
THIS IS BS...





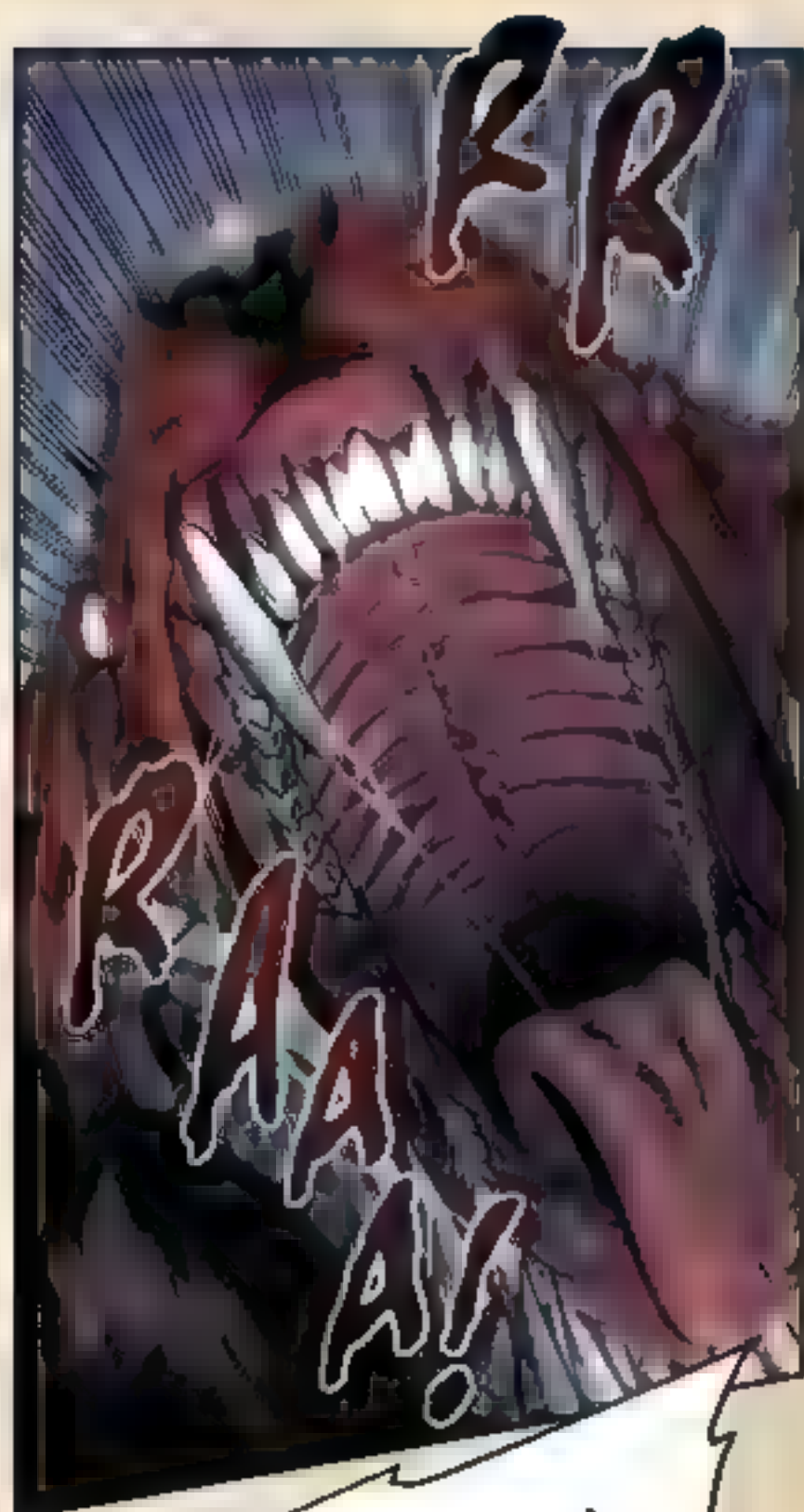
SERIOUSLY,
NO PARTY...?

I HAVE
TO DO IT ALL
MYSELF?!



TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 2...

"If it means I'll get stronger, then
I can play by these BS rules!"

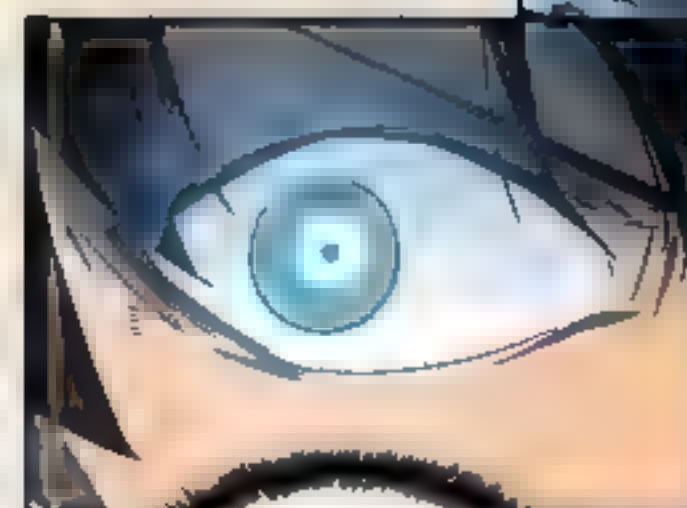


I'VE BEEN GIVEN A
SECOND CHANCE! NO
FEAR! NO STOPPING!



"How strong do I have to get...
to escape my powerless past?!"

Facing the danger alone...
reminds him of the double dungeon...
NONSTOP SOLO LEVELING!



I CAN
FEEL IT.



THAT'S THE
BOSS.

**READ THE NOVEL
WHERE IT ALL BEGAN!**



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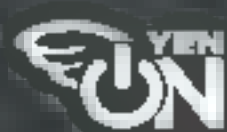
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